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Drug users will not be given free gym access

DRUG users will not be given free use of Shropshire Council gyms and swimming pools, the authority's leader made clear this week.

Councillor Keith Barrow was speaking after a council report suggested the idea that former users of the drug GHB be given free use of council leisure facilities as part of their recovery.

And a report outlining controversial drug rehabilitation plans was withdrawn from a Shropshire Council meeting which was due to take place yesterday.

Members of the council's safe and confident communities scrutiny committee had been due to discuss a report from the authority's GHB/Synthetic Drugs Misuse Task and Finish Group at Shirehall.

"Some people had misunderstood the authority's intentions and thought people who misused drugs were getting 'free hand outs' for breaking the law, said Councillor Barrow.

"I want to be absolutely clear that we have never suggested giving free swimming and gym membership to people who are misusing drugs," he said.

Kammy will play again

SKY SPORTS celebrity pundit Chris Kamara has confirmed that he will turn out for Welshpool Town for a second time next week, with the satellite broadcaster's cameras following his every move once again.

Following the ex-professional's debut against Rhayader in January, Sky has confirmed that its love affair with the troubled club will continue next Wednesday when they host Newbridge-on-Wye.

"It really is incredible news for us all," said manager Dave Jones. "After the last game, Chris sent me a text saying how much he enjoyed the day."

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ARSON ATTACKS SUSPECT QUIZZED

DETECTIVES are questioning a 32-year-old Oswestry man in connection with a spate of arson attacks in the town.

Police say the suspect has been arrested and is currently being quizzed about three fires. The fires were reported at an empty house in Middleton Road on February 28, at the Zion fitness centre in Coney Green the following day and at the Cambrian Visitor Centre in Oswald Road on March 6.

The arson attacks led to police stepping up patrols in the area amid fears the fires could lead to serious injury or a fatality.

The fire at the Cambrian Railway gutted an empty signal box while the Middleton Road blaze severely damaged a house.

Firefighters gave out hundreds of arson alert flyers in the wake of the fires, warning people to be on the look-out for suspicious behaviour.

Fire chiefs urged people in the arson-hit area to stay vigilant.

Derek Taylor, fire crime officer with Shropshire Fire and Rescue Service, revealed the last incident was on March 10 when a shed and a wheelie bin was set alight in Hawthorne Grove at about 8pm.

Mr Taylor said although there had been no recent attacks in the town he was still working to encourage people to stay alert.

"We are continuing to work with the police and other partners to heighten awareness.

Aware

"The police are patrolling in the area and keeping an eye on it. We are not trying to get people worried, we are making people aware of what is going on.

"We want people to be aware that if they leave their wheelie bins out overnight too close to the property it could be a target."

Anyone who has information about any of the incidents is asked to contact Oswestry police by calling 101.

Information can also be given to the Crimestoppers charity line by calling anonymously on 0800 555 111.

Town police inspector Jim Stafford warned that setting fire to properties could lead to 'tragic consequences' because the arsonist could not be certain that the premises were empty.

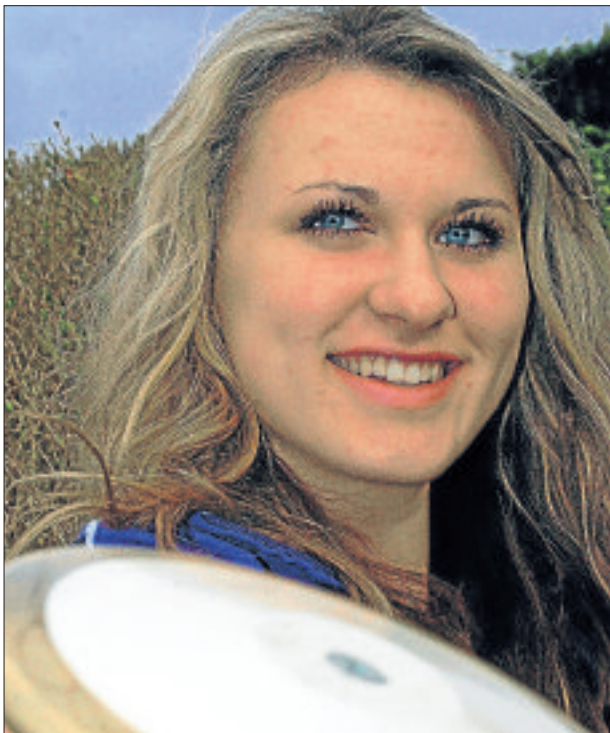
Inspector Stafford said: "The message must be that, regardless of whatever the intention is of the people starting these fires, setting fire to what they think are empty properties does have serious consequences and, as often is the case, can have tragic consequences.

"Setting fire to property not only increases the chance of serious damage being caused, but also of serious injury or worse. They can cause a risk to life."

"The public can help with this by reporting anything suspicious by calling the 101 number or Crimestoppers."

Anyone with details should call Newtown Police Station on 0845 3302 000.

Torch shines on Adele



WELSHPOOL schoolgirl Adele Nicoll has been chosen to carry the Olympic Flame through her home town. The 15-year-old athlete this week expressed her delight at being selected as one of three runners carrying the torch through Welshpool. "It's amazing to be selected because thousands were nominated and I can't really believe this is happening. It's a fantastic honour," she said. Local torchbearers were also named for the Oswestry area spectacle on May 30. ● Torch - Turn to Page 3.

Families housing hard-up offspring

A HOUSING expert claims Oswestry is witnessing the greatest change in the property market for years with young people forced to stay with their parents.

Stephen Powell, a director of Halls and manager of the company's Oswestry estate agency office said young people could not afford mortgages and were being forced to stay at home.

He said more and more parents have grown up children still living at home. "I speak to people in their 50s and 60s who still have their children, in their 20s and even 30s living with them."

"Recently I went to see a family who had their son, daughter-in-law and their two children, living with them," he said.

"With the recession biting, mortgages becoming harder to get and the growing uncertainty in the jobs market, the nature of family living in the Oswestry area is changing."

"Not since the great depression of the 1930s have so many children turned to their parents for an economic lifeline," he said.

One-way call by traders

TRADERS IN Welshpool have called on the town council to back their demands for changes to the town's controversial one-way system.

The Welshpool Projects Business Forum this week asked the council to take up their protests and press the Welsh Assembly Government to make major changes to the system.

Members claim that the one-way system has damaged business and is keeping people away from the town.

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Building society thief facing a jail sentence

by Lisa Rowley

A FORMER Oswestry building society manager faces jail after being convicted of stealing thousands of pounds from a 97-year-old customer.

Rebecca Entwistle had denied stealing £13,390 belonging to Mercy Williams when she worked at the Nationwide Building Society in Oswestry. But the 26-year-old was found guilty by a jury at Shrewsbury Crown Court on Friday.

The fate of school now in hands of councillors

LLANGEDWYN Primary School's fate is now in the hands of county councillors in Powys as the deadline passed for comments to be submitted on the closure plans.

Responses to the official consultation over the viability of the school and 10 others across Powys had to be submitted to the local authority by yesterday (Wednesday). Now the Friends of Llangedwyn group said it felt positive about the outcome.

Mr John Parkinson said: "The chair of the school governors delivered the governors' response, the community impact document and 35 letters of objection to the Powys County Council offices last week.

"We have got logic and the community on our side. If the cabinet doesn't acknowledge this it is doing a disservice not just to the community of Llangedwyn but also to the council taxpayers of Powys because the closure will incur additional expense. The school is essential to the people of this community."

Entwistle, of College Road, Oswestry, had also denied stealing £500 from retired accountant John Bartley and £200 from his wife, Carolyn. The offences were all said to have happened between May 2009 and January 2010.

The jury failed to reach a verdict on the thefts from the Bartleys, and those two charges were ordered to lie on the file.

Review

The case was adjourned for a pre-sentence report until today, Thursday, by Judge Robin Onions who told her she would face jail. She was granted bail.

Judge Onions also said he hoped Nationwide would carry out a review of its procedures.

Mr Phillip Beardwell, prosecuting, said Mercy Williams, as well as the Bartleys, had been reimbursed by the building society.

The court had heard the Bartleys were customers at the Wrexham branch of the building society while Eleanor Jones, the niece of Mercy Williams, used the branch in Oswestry to deal with the finances of her aunt, who will be 100 this year.

Entwistle, who claimed she sometimes left her computer logged on and gave colleagues her password, told police she could not explain the withdrawals from the accounts.

Word festival is a success



Writer John Waine from Oswestry, leaves a book in a plant pot as part of the Oswestry Festival Of The Word book crossing event.

MORE THAN 1,250 people attended the Oswestry Festival of the Word which ended on Tuesday amid huge praise.

Festival director, John Waine, said the 10 day event had exceeded all expectations, bringing some of the very best poets, authors and performers to the town.

"I would like to offer my heartfelt gratitude and thanks to the festival team who have worked so very hard to promote the festival and organise it in such a profes-

sional manner. It has been a worthy tribute to Oswestry and has set a high standard," he said.

The festival saw 18 events over 10 days across nine venues in the town. Children and young people were heavily involved with 10 schools, secondary and primary taking part and 170 entries from youngsters to a Chitty Chitty Bang Bang competition.

It was the third Festival of the Word to be held in the town.

NEWS**in brief**

Road delays as traffic lights fail

MOTORISTS faced rush hour delays between Welshpool and Oswestry on Wednesday morning after a set of temporary traffic lights failed.

Queues more than a mile long began to build in both directions at the traffic lights in Pool Quay, near Welshpool, at about 7.30am after the lights got stuck on red.

The lights are in place due to road works and are one of several sets that have appeared on the road in the past two weeks. Workmen arrived on the scene shortly after 8am and the lights manually before fixing them.

Road speed limit cut is welcomed

COUNCILLORS have welcomed plans to cut the speed limit at an accident blackspot on the A483 Oswestry bypass.

Proposals to create a 50mph speed limit at the Maesbury Road junction were supported by members of Oswestry Town Council on Monday.

Bosses at Amey, the organisation which manages and maintains trunk roads in the Midlands, propose to reduce the limit by 10mph.

The decision comes after the organisation carried out a review of the number of crashes at the junction.

Driver in court over train crash

A 35-YEAR-OLD man has appeared in court following a collision between a van and train at a level crossing in Powys.

Daniel Bellis, of Oswestry, is accused of endangering safety on the railway without intent and dangerous driving at a crossing near Carno, Newtown. He appeared at Welshpool Magistrates Court on Tuesday. His case was adjourned until May 8 for committal.

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Rail track route may become a cycle way

PLANS HAVE been unveiled to transform a former railway line through Oswestry into a cycle path.

The line runs from Gobowen to Oswestry with a large proportion of it going through Whittington.

Resident Nigel Thomas, from Gobowen, has written to Whittington Parish Council to see if it is able to offer support in helping to convert the three-mile track into a path for cyclists to use to travel to work.

Mr Thomas believes it would benefit cyclists as it would allow them to avoid dangerous and busy roads. He also thinks it may encourage more people to find healthier ways of getting to work.

He said the idea was in its infancy and he was currently putting out feelers to find out what support there was for such an idea.

"It was my own idea and at the moment I am just putting out feelers. It is at the very early stages. The idea is to have a cycle route or some sort of path for wheelchair users."

He said Shropshire Council currently had a £5 million sustainable transport budget for the whole county and wondered if this could help fund his idea.

Nursery open day raises £215

AN OPEN day at Hall Farm Nursery, Kinnerley, near Oswestry raised £215 for Shrewsbury's Severn Hospice.

The cash was raised after home made refreshments were served to visitors at the event on Sunday. Organisers Christine and Nick Ffoulkes Jones thanked everyone who supported the day.

Torchbearers' delight over chance to carry the Flame

by Graham Breeze

TORCHBEARERS from the Oswestry and Welshpool areas this week expressed their delight at being invited to carry the Olympic Flame.

Names were announced by LOCOG, the organisation behind the London 2012 Olympics, which is taking the Torch around the UK on an 8,000-mile route.

It will visit Shropshire and parts of Mid Wales giving residents a once in a lifetime opportunity to witness the spectacle of the London 2012 Olympic Torch Relay when the historic flame passes through the streets of Oswestry, Llanymynech and Welshpool on May 30.

It is hoped that residents will line the streets to share in the excitement whilst also celebrating the achievements of the inspirational torchbearers.

Talented 15-year-old Welshpool athlete Adele Nicoll will carry the flame through Welshpool. She is ranked first in Welsh Under-15 1kg discus and the 3.25 shot. She is also ranked first in the Welsh Under-17 4kg shot and ranked second in the discus.

Last week she won silver in the World Indoor Throwing Challenge shot competition and bronze in the discus in Sweden.

"It's amazing to be selected because thousands were nominated and I can't really believe this is happening. It's a fantastic honour," she said.

Inspiring

Linda Arthan, 57, of St Martins, near Oswestry, is a supply teacher at The Marches School in Oswestry, where she will carry the torch, and has previously represented Great Britain in the triathlon and taken part in two marathons.

She has worked with young people, inspiring them to take part in sport, and also raised about £2,000 for Gobowen's orthopaedic hospital's spinal injury unit.

She said: "It is just ace, it is totally perfect. I am very lucky."

Special Olympics gold medalist Briony Johnson, 21, from Oswestry, is a badminton player and a member of the North Shropshire Special Olympics club who will carry the torch in Wales on May 27.

Val Hanover, 67, from Oswestry, will carry the torch in Shrewsbury. She is the chairman of the North Shropshire Special Olympics which provides sporting activities for people with learning difficulties.

Ian Watkins, 55, from Oswestry, will also carry the torch.

He is a member of Oswestry Olympians who set up a running group in Ellesmere and is involved in football.



Val Hanover.



Linda Arthan.



Briony Johnson.



Ian Watkins.

Plea after fire hits bungalow

A FIRE IN the roof space of a bungalow near Oswestry probably spread from a blaze in the chimney breast, firefighters have said.

A couple planting bulbs in their garden noticed smoke coming through the roof of their home at Haughton near West Felton shortly before 3pm on Tuesday.

And officials at Shropshire Fire and Rescue Service today urged homeowners to ensure their chimneys were swept regularly.

Fire crews from Baschurch, Oswestry and Ellesmere and the aerial ladder from Shrewsbury went to the scene. Neil Groves, fire officer in charge, said tiles were taken off the roof to deal with the blaze.

'Can-ny' way of school recycling



Taking a look at the sculpture are Euan Graham, 10, and Emily Hughes, nine.

A VERY strange tree has sprouted up in a classroom in a school near Oswestry - made entirely out of drink cans.

The sculpture grew from an arts workshop held at Carreghofa Primary School at Llanymynech, based on recycling.

Pupils from years five and six at the school spent two days working with artist Ingrid Maughan from the Arts Connection organisation based at Llanfyllin.

They learned about the importance of recycling and decided to make a sculpture of a flowering tree.

The children used cans, many from the Cae Post recycling initiative, both whole and cut into different parts. Tops and bottoms were strung on metal wire and some pieces were even cut and hammered into shape.

One of the youngsters, James Chapman, 11, said the project had been great fun.

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Unique monorail collection at show

A UNIQUE monorail collection will be one of the stars of this year's vintage vehicle and machinery rally and craft show at the Park Hall Showground.

The British heritage monorail collection is being restored by volunteers near Oswestry.

The Clwyd Veteran and Vintage Machinery Society will stage the first public running of some of the collection's rolling stock during the rally and craft show on June 16 and 17.

The Richard Morris collection, which includes a complete industrial monorail system, a monorail steam engine with carriages and narrow gauge fun engines, was recently moved from North Wales to the Oswestry area. It is being looked after by The Oswestry Machine Rail Project.

Have your say on future plans

RESIDENTS and organisations in Powys will be given the chance next week to have their say on county developments.

Powys County Council will be consulting on its preferred strategy for the Powys Local Development Plan.

The six-week consultation started on Monday and will end on April 30. The authority has also arranged six exhibitions with one at Llanfyllin Institute tomorrow between 2pm and 8pm.

Power cut hits 1,000 homes

A POWER cut left up to 1,000 homes in Welshpool without electricity on Saturday night.

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Blockbuster cinema opening date to be delayed for weeks

PLANS TO bring a cinema to Oswestry showing blockbuster films and live productions have been delayed.

Oswestry film screening company KinoKulture was awarded more than £45,000 from the town council's Market Town Revitalisation programme for ambitious plans to bring top movies to the area.

Bosses hoped to set up the cinema inside the Attfield Theatre, in the Guildhall, by next month.

by Graham Breeze

Group trading stays on target

TRADING AT agricultural and retail group Wynnstays remains on target to meet its first half budgets, the company's management said this week.

The Llanstffraid-based group, which also has stores in six locations around Shropshire, saw its fertiliser sales improve after farmers held back orders in November and December in the hope of prices decreasing.

Group revenues are expected to be higher than expected after anticipated levels of agricultural commodity price deflation did not materialise.

Feed sales are higher than in 2010 and demand for poultry feed has further increased.

The Group's specialist retail division performed well, with Wynnstay Stores enjoying spend from its farming customers, and its Just for Pets stores continuing to expand, opening a 20th pet store last month.

But the company is still going through a tendering process to get official quotes. It has not yet heard back from all the relevant parties which means it is unable to proceed.

The official launch date has now been set back to June.

Ruth Carter, from the company, said: "It is just the tendering that is taking a long time to come through."

"We need three different tenders and only two have got back to us."

Excited

"Although we were hoping to be ready for April it is more likely to be June. We have been getting excited to see this completed but these things take time."

KinoKulture says the project will see the screening of box-office films and recent releases, a Saturday morning film club for youngsters and classic movies for older people.

It also wants to screen productions from The National Theatre Live and Opera From the Met.

It is hoped the new cinema, alongside the theatre and the town museum, will help to transform the Guildhall into a 'vibrant cultural hub' within Oswestry.

Fundraisers get in a spin



IN action during the four-hour sponsored spinathon in aid of Severn Hospice at Bodytech in Oswestry are, left to right, Tracey Whitfield, Charlotte Evans and Samantha Davies. Picture: Simon Williams.

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Vow jobs on homes project to be local

A COMPANY behind plans to build 45 houses in Welshpool as part of a £5.6 million project has promised that 80 per cent of jobs created will be local.

Mid Wales Housing Association has launched the new development on land close to Red Bank, and has contracted S J Roberts Construction Ltd to carry out the work.

Janet George, spokeswoman for MWA, said: "The contractor for the development has agreed to support local employment by ensuring 80 per cent of the labour force will be local. Hughes Architects, Newtown, have worked on the design of the homes."

She said: "The provision of affordable housing in Welshpool is a priority for Powys County Council and this is a major factor in the allocation of £1.7 million of social housing grant money from the Welsh Government to ensure that rents on the 22 'affordable' properties are kept below market prices."

Fun for Easter

CHILDREN aged three to nine years are invited to a special story and craft session for Easter on April 2.

Peter Rabbit and Other Funny Bunnies' takes place at Oswestry Library at 2pm. Call 01691 677388.

6,000 music fans due at Osfest spectacular

ORGANISERS OF Osfest are expecting 6,000 revellers through the gates this summer.

Osfest will celebrate its third birthday over the Queen's Jubilee weekend, with top stars including Razorlight, Dappy and Hard-Fi heading for the Park Hall Showground near Oswestry for the event between June 1-4.

And this year it is also hosting the first Shropshire Proms, featuring the Royal Philharmonic Concert Orchestra.

Carly Jackson, from Osfest, said the music festival was proud to be associated with the Shropshire Proms and said it would be wonderful to see a 50-piece orchestra on the main Osfest stage.

She said last year the festival attracted 4,500 people.

"This year we are aiming for 6,000 and we are confident we will hit that figure," she said.

"We want to get across the message that Osfest is not just for young people but for everyone who likes music."

We hope organisations from schools and colleges to factories and businesses get behind the festival and spread the word about us.

"This year festival-goers will even have an extra day off - the Tuesday Bank Holiday - to recover."

This year Osfest has also teamed up with Shropshire Council to launch The Shropshire Proms which council leader Keith Barrow revealed last night could become an annual event.

The Proms on June 1 will raise funds for Hope House Hospice and the Midlands Air Ambulance.

Speaking at the official Osfest launch in Oswestry, he said: "I am delighted that we have linked up with the Osfest team. Osfest is great for Oswestry and great for Shropshire."

"If the Shropshire Proms is a success, I hope it could become an annual event for the county."

The children spent an afternoon last week making arches and other items which will now continue to grow.

Dave Lambourne, acting headteacher, said the pupils had a "fantastic" time making the willow objects.

He said: "The willow project was a fabulous thing to do and the children and staff all had a fantastic time making objects with it."

Mr Lambourne added that the staff at Brynhafron School, along with the Friends of Brynhafron, are organising a fun day at the school to celebrate it's Golden Jubilee as well as a ceilidh dance to be held at Llan-drinio Village Hall on April 28.

Colourful designs



LOCAL artist Ann Easthope has put up an exhibition of her work at Oswestry Visitor and Exhibition Centre. Taking a look at her colourful floral designs was Carol Roberts from the centre.

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Ironworks date for UK blues trio

A BRITISH blues trio which has toured with Brit award-winning artist James Morrison is coming to Shropshire.

The Martin Harley Band will be playing at Oswestry's Ironworks, in Church Street, on April 29.

The band is being brought to the county by Worlds Biggest Events which recently invited Rich Robinson, from American band The Black Crowes, to the venue.

Tickets are available from The Ironworks or by visiting www.seetickets.com

Charity bag pack to be held in town

FUNDRAISERS are looking for people to help in a charity bag pack in Oswestry.

The Marie Curie Cancer Care fundraiser will take place at Marks and Spencer and volunteers are needed.

Spokesman Fran Robinson said: "We are desperately in need of a few kind people on April 4, 5 and 7 to fill some of the slots and Judy Breeze would be delighted to hear from you on (01691) 671549."

Challenge set

WEST Felton School is holding an Easter challenge on Saturday in the grounds of Pradoc Estate from noon to 3.15pm. Call 01691 610972 for details.

Hundreds send in eggs after hospice makes Easter plea

FEARS THAT youngsters from Hope House Children's Hospice would have to go without Easter eggs this year have been quashed thanks to kind-hearted people sending hundreds of donations.

At the start of this month staff from hospice in Morda, began to worry when they discovered they had only been given a promise of about 30 eggs for the children.

The charity normally gets hundreds in the run up to Easter but feared the current economic climate had stopped donations.

So they issued a plea for help and within about two weeks they have received a promise of nearly 1,000 eggs.

Staff like to give the chocolate to the youngsters for the festive season and also to their siblings.

Vanessa Thomas, fundraising manager, said: "We will probably have about 1,000 Easter eggs now and have some spare to send to the children in the North Wales hospice."

Running

"We were worried at first but now there will be no child, brother or sister going without this Easter. We want to say a big thank you to everyone who has helped."

"We don't need any more eggs now so if people want to make a donation they can send money to help keep the hospice running. We have as much chocolate as we need now."

Generous donations include £500 from TRS Personnel in Telford and a £100 cheque for eggs given by Admaston Spar.

Staff at the hospice will be travelling the country on April to collect the eggs.

Tom Shackell, 34, who has worked at the furniture making factory in Wrexham for more than a decade, joined a march at the weekend to protest over cuts.

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A spokesman for the organisation said: "The Remploy Board has proposed a series of significant changes to its operations as a result of the Government decision to reduce current funding for Remploy."

by **Graham Breeze**

Disabled worker fears for future

A DISABLED man from Oswestry said he feared he would struggle to get another job if the Remploy factory he has worked at for almost 12 years closes.

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All aboard for the new season



With station master, fireman and trustee Mike Rowe were some German visitors Jurgen and Monika Pollwein, from Munich.

TRAIN enthusiasts in Shropshire are being urged to take a ride aboard a diesel engine when it arrives in Oswestry for the spring season.

Volunteers from Cambrian Railways are preparing to open their latest attraction next month.

Oswestry Station, in Oswald Road, will be opening on April 1 for people to have a ride on the diesel engine.

Mike Rowe, a volunteer at the railway, said: "We are looking forward to starting again this season. We would like to see as many people as possible coming to visit."

When the season starts again there are a number of activities planned including a heritage diesel display in the railways' car park.

Volunteers also run a site in Llynclys, near Oswestry, and will be holding a special Easter event. This will take place on April 8 and the first train will leave the platform at 11am.

There will also be an Easter egg hunt and magic shows. For more information call 07527107592.

Village auction boosts appeal

A VILLAGE fundraiser on the Shropshire border has helped raise more than £5,000.

Llangynog residents want to raise about £70,000 to enlarge its well-used village hall and held an auction to collect funds.

Organisers collected scores of items for 60 lots at the event which included a week's holiday accommodation in Malta, 400 litres of heating oil from James Pickstock, a day's beekeeping, a day for two mountain biking at Llangynog's Revolution Bike Park, a day with Mick Extance Off-Road Experience on a motorbike and half a day activity with ProAdventure.

About 80 people turned out to the event to try to snap up some of the lots up for grabs and helped fundraisers to collect £5,394. Sarah Chambers, one of the organisers, said: "It is an amazing amount."

"We didn't expect to make that much. It was a good turn out and it wasn't just people from our village, we also saw people from other areas including Llanrhaeadr."

"There was lots of generous people which was brilliant. It was a lot of fun."

Villagers say they will now be looking towards grant bodies to try and secure the additional funds needed to see their hall expand.

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Children celebrate sporting success

YOUNGSTERS at a Shropshire prep school are celebrating sporting success after winning netball and rugby tournaments.

Girls and boys at Packwood Haugh, near Ruyton-XI-Towns, came home with the medals after defeating other teams from schools throughout the country.

The under-11 girls netball team competed in the Prestefelde Tournament against 10 other schools and was undefeated.

In the group stages the girls beat Old Hall, The White House, Bedstone and Moreton Hall winning through to a tightly contested semi-final against Shrewsbury High School.

The match was tied at full-time and went to golden goal with Packwood snatching victory by six goals to five after four minutes of extra time.

In the final, against Hallfield, the girls had another close match which needed extra time to break the deadlock. Packwood finally scored to secure the win and overall victory in the tournament, for the first time ever.

Meanwhile, the boys' Under 11 Sevens team travelled to Somerset to take part in The Downs Rugby Sevens beating the Dragon School from Oxford in the semi-final and won the final against host school, The Downs.

Back 2 Netball programme targets women across town

By Iain St John

WOMEN IN the Oswestry area who fancy revisiting their school days by taking up the popular sport of netball are being urged to get involved in a new leisure programme in the town.

The Back 2 Netball programme targets female players who want to get back into the sport or try it out for the first time. It has been created by bosses at the national governing body for netball, England Netball.

They have created a programme that provides a gentle introduction to the sport for female players over the age of 16. Sessions are coach-led and cover basic skill development

and court play.

The programme will run at Oswestry's new £10 million leisure centre on Shrewsbury Road, which opened to the public in October.

Bosses have stressed that the emphasis of the sessions is on learning new skills and having fun playing netball with friends, whether it is about rediscovering sporting abilities players had forgotten or about getting them active again.

Inspiration

They say Back 2 Netball has been a roaring success since it was introduced to the sport last year and has provided inspiration for thousands of women to fall back in love with the popular game.

After some consultation with women living in and around the Oswestry area, a Back 2 Netball programme has been developed to start in May at Oswestry Leisure Centre.

The programme will consist of 10 one hour sessions beginning at 1pm on Saturdays throughout May and June and ending on July 7.

The overall outcome of the programme will be to sustain the participation of women attending the sessions, by entering a Back 2 Netball team in to the Oswestry and District Netball League.

Appeal to trace ex-Navy Roger



Roger Burgess, left, and Mike Ottewill.

ORGANISERS of a naval reunion are trying to track down an Oswestry man who joined up in 1963 and trained at HMS Fisgard in Torpoint, Cornwall.

The reunion organisers are trying to find Roger Burgess who was known to be living in the Oswestry area after leaving the Navy in the 1970s.

"We are trying to locate Roger to inform him of our plans for the 50th anniversary in 2013," said Mike Ottewill from Leek, who is helping to organise the event and can be contacted on 01538 361217.

Pupils raise £2,000 for cause



Events to help the hospices

PUPILS from Whittington Primary School helped to raise over £2,000 for Hope House Children's Hospices during their Going for Gold Olympic charity day.

Accepting the cash for Hope House is area fundraiser Kelly Goodall, back left with the school's headteacher Sean Sibley, back right.

Centre, left to right, are nine-year-olds Lydia Royce, Isabella Davies and Chloe Tomlinson, with front left to right Isobel Gray, four, Joe Davies, seven and Ria Khazi, five. *Picture: Simon Williams.*

NEWS

in brief

Bowling green is saved from axe

A BOWLING green in Oswestry has been saved from closure for a further 12 months – thanks to a huge increase in the number of people using it.

Last year the green in Cae Glas Park was facing closure because no-one was using it.

Oswestry Town Council gave it a stay of execution after pleas from resident Henry Pugh and Councillor Paul Milner to give people one final chance.

Councillor Milner said: "The results were tremendous. The number of people using the bowling green went up 300 per cent."

Bard's classic on bill at village hall

A DRAMA group is inviting people to its next event near Oswestry.

Piccalilli Circus and Romeo and Juliet is being put on in Overton Village Hall on Friday and Saturday.

From 7pm people are invited to watch a production by Overton Amateur Dramatic Society, Loren's Dance Addiction and The Maelor School in Penley.

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MOBILE PHONE users are driving me crazy with inappropriate use of this modern technology.

On Sunday I could have screamed when driving along the Welshpool to Oswestry road close to the Shrewsbury junction at Arddleen where only a couple of months ago a youngster died in a cycling accident.

Coming towards me and wobbling all over the carriageway was a young cyclist, blissfully unaware of the row of traffic behind him as he chatted on his mobile.

He was clearly a local boy as he was certainly not equipped for a long cycling trip - utter stupidity. It's time parents started to lay down the law on mobile use.

In the same week a young girl was seen blindly crossing the street in front of traffic in Oswestry - tapping out a message and bringing motorists to a halt.

In Welshpool I saw a juggernaut forced to mount the pavement to avoid an oncoming lorry on Salop Road. The young phone user

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with Graham Breeze



chatting away as she walked in front is probably to this day still unaware of the massive vehicle that was only yards behind her.

Then on Oswestry's most dangerous junction at Maesbury Road I saw a young lady motorist balancing a mobile on her shoulder, attending to her make-up in the vanity mirror and negotiating the staggered turning at the same time.

Now few of us can claim to have never used a mobile whilst on the move but this is absolute madness.

WHAT REALLY annoyed me this week was news released by Powys and Ceredigion County Councils that a contract to process the region's waste food has been given to an Oxford company.

It's commendable that the councils have made the decision to use anaerobic digestion to treat the waste but not there the opportunity to create employment by awarding the contract locally.

Now huge lorries will trundle across the country from Mid Wales to Oxford with our waste doing absolutely nothing for the council's carbon footprint reduction scheme.

WHAT PLEASED me was the decision by members of the Welshpool business community to take action about the town's one-way system.

Members of Welshpool Project Business Forum voted to call on Welshpool Town Council to back their proposal for changes to the system which they claim is wrecking

their trade. The traders want major changes to the system, including the return of Brook Street from St Mary's Church to The Raven roundabout as a two-way system and a new road linking the bypass following the route of the Lledan Brook.

The proposal will now go before the full Town Council and with elections on the horizon will really stir things up. The Project Group has very little clout as an organisation but the Town Council does have the ability to make noises in the right corridors.

THE OLYMPICS are getting closer and no less than five people from the Oswestry and Welshpool areas have been named to carry the Olympic torch through the region.

Young athlete Adele Nicoll will be the torchbearer through Welshpool. This is fantastic news for the 15-year-old who returned from Sweden with silver and bronze medals from the World Junior Games last week - competing against athletes two years older.

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Forgotten writer's town home marked by plaque

by Sue Austin

SHROPSHIRE'S famous writers include Wilfred Owen, AE Housman and Mary Webb - but author Barbara Pym of Oswestry is something of a forgotten figure in her home county.

Miss Pym has a huge following in America where her books are acclaimed by critics. She wrote a series of novels such as *Some Tame Gazelle*, *Less Than Angels*, *A Glass of Blessings* during the 1950s and 1960s, when she was regarded as one of the most under-rated writers of her time.

But now a plaque has been set up at her birthplace in Willow Street in Oswestry as a lasting memorial to her after years of campaigning by enthusiasts. It was unveiled by crime writer Kate Charles, a former chairman of the Barbara Pym Society.

It is hoped the memorial will give momentum to fresh interest in Pym's work and attract tourists from across the Atlantic to Oswestry.

Occupied

Barbara Pym was born at 72 Willow Street, the house once occupied by the Pym family. It was demolished in the 1960s as part of a clearance which later provided a site for the Willowgate flats.

Her father, Frederic Pym, had a solicitor's practice across the road in Willow Street where his brass plate 'Crampton Pym and Lewis' still hangs.

She wrote her first novel *Some Tame Gazelle*, when she was 22 years old. She had a long break from writing between 1963 and 1977 but interest in her work was revived when two prominent writers, Lord David Cecil and Philip Larkin, nominated her as 'the most underrated writer of the 20th century' in the *Times Literary Supplement*. She died after a battle with breast cancer in 1980 aged 66.



Crime writer Kate Charles unveils a plaque to commemorate the birthplace of novelist Barbara Pym at 72 Willow Street in Oswestry.

Miss Charles said that with the current interest in the 1950s and retro, the novelist's books had now been republished.

She said: "She is my favourite writer of all time. She has a real insight into life - life that she observed in a provincial town like Oswestry. Her work is believable and

funny." Councillor Saffron Rainey from Oswestry Civic Society praised Father Lawrence Garner for his perseverance and energy in campaigning for the plaque which has been funded by Oswestry's Local Joint Committee and the Barbara Pym Society.



Novelist Barbara Pym.

Some facts about Barbara

- Born in Oswestry on June 2, 1913.
- Lived in Mordia until 1945.
- Studied English at St Hilda's, Oxford.
- First novel was *Some Tame Gazelle*.
- Other novels include *Less Than Angels*, *A Glass of Blessings*, *Excellent Women* and *The Sweet Dove Died*.
- Her career as a novelist waned in the 1960s and many books went unpublished.
- It was revived in 1977 when Lord David Cecil and Philip Larkin nominated her as the most underrated writer of the century.
- Quartet in Autumn nominated for the Booker Prize in 1977.
- Elected as a Fellow of the Royal Society of Literature.
- Died of breast cancer aged 66 in 1980.

"Oswestry has not one but two great writers and we now have plaques commemorating both Wilfred Owen and Barbara Pym," he said.

"Barbara Pym has a huge following in America and now American visitors can visit the site of her birthplace in Oswestry."

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An issue here may be that although the defective chair may have caused some back pain it may be difficult to attribute the collapsed disc to the chair. This would be a matter for expert medical evidence.

You should carefully document everything from when you first told your employer about the broken chair and collect together medical reports and receipts for visits to the doctor and hospital, together with other out of pocket expenses. As there are strict time limits in place to make any injury claim you should consult an experienced local personal injury lawyer as soon as possible.

Further information relating to this question is available from Nicholas Kernan, a Solicitor with GHP Legal. For information relating to any other legal matter please call GHP Legal on 01691 659194, visit www.ghplegal.co.uk or attend one of our FREE legal diagnostic clinics every Wednesday 12-5pm (no appointment necessary).



LETTERS & NEWS

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College's courses bucking UK trend

AN OSWESTRY college is bucking the national trend by recording an increase in people seeking places on courses.

Walford and North Shropshire College's admissions team have notched up a five per cent increase in applications for courses starting this September.

Nationally, many colleges are reporting a drop in participation in part due to the reduction in learner support funding and phasing-out of Education Maintenance Allowances.

Andrew Tyley, college principal and chief executive, is delighted with the increase in applications. "We have worked really hard to get our marketing right this year, but I have no doubt our success is down to our excellent results last year and the encouraging satisfaction ratings we are getting back from our current students."

Programmes proving particularly attractive include A Levels, forensic science, uniformed services, sport, and agriculture.

Interest in animal care has been given a boost by the new courses being offered at Shipley near Bridgnorth.

Lucy Beaumont, the assistant director responsible for admissions, said more students were travelling from outside the catchment area.

Jazz star is to perform

A JAZZ clarinet player is coming to Oswestry to entertain the crowds and raise cash for charity.

Pete Allen will be performing traditional jazz at The Venue, in Park Hall, on April 26 from 7.30pm.

The event has been organised to help raise money for Cancer Research.

Sarah Barton, from The Venue, said: "We are excited about Pete Allen coming. He is well known all across Europe and to have him here is great."

Tickets cost £12 on (01691) 684840.

Come and sing

A COME and sing event is being held in Oswestry with St Oswald's Church hosting a rehearsal for Stainer's Crucifixion on April 1. It will take place at 3pm and all are welcome to just turn up and sing.

Where's the rest of pension rise?

WE HAVE heard a lot recently about the educational standards of our young people; they at least have the means and a few more years to rectify that matter.

What concerns me more is the educational standards of the Government ministers who are responsible for looking after and ensuring that our pensioners get what is rightly theirs.

The pension rate for a couple in 2011 was £209.70. The RPI in September

2011 was five per cent and we were assured pensions would rise by at least this amount.

By my calculation, five per cent of £209.70 equates to £2.097 x 5 or £10.48 therefore it would be reasonable to expect that the couple's pension would rise to £220.18.

According to the pension notification letter received by me it is actually £217.90, a rise of £8.20 which is 3.9 per cent. Now they start the massage: The

2011 savings credit threshold was £164.55.

The 2012 threshold has risen to £178.35 or an increase of 8.3 per cent with a resultant comparative loss in pension credit value.

This brings a couple's basic pension increase down to £6.11 or an actual increase of 2.65 per cent. Where's the other 2.35 per cent we were promised?

RD HUGHES
Oswestry

Complex marking its first birthday

CELEBRATIONS WILL be held at an Oswestry business tomorrow marking the first anniversary of a new complex opening.

Staff and businesses at The Fort Offices, in Park Hall, are inviting Oswestry businesses to pop in for coffee and birthday cake.

Fort manager Vicky Bradbeer said: "We've commissioned a cake in the shape of a fort so we'll have plenty to share."

The building houses several businesses and regularly welcomes more through bookings for its conference room, meeting rooms and offices used for hot-desking by businesspeople.

She said: "It's been a great year. We've still got a couple of offices to fill but we're confident that as businesses need to be increasingly flexible we will see companies coming in."

The Fort Offices are part of Artillery Business Park, and are set just a few minutes out of Oswestry town centre.

Vicky added: "Our conference facilities are popular as we have plenty of free parking, green spaces and good IT networks, along with all the usual conference 'must-haves' such as an interactive whiteboard, projector and screen, and flip charts."



"THE new view along Castle Street as the terraced houses are cleared for a road widening scheme," said the original caption to this photo taken in Oswestry on March 12, 1986. The accompanying story began: "Houses along Oswestry's Castle Street are being demolished as part of a road widening plan by Shropshire County Council. The terrace houses in Castle Street, Sunny Bank and Prince Street have all been bought by the council. . ."

Why not go meat-free for March?

MARCH IS Animal Aid's meat-free month - why not give it a go?

Meat-free Monday has really taken off throughout the UK with colleges, schools, councils and even the House of Commons giving it a try.

Animal Aid has gone a step further and is encouraging people to go meat-free throughout the month of March and try delicious food that is healthy, kind to the environment and, of course, helps save animals' lives.

Most supermarkets have a wide range of meat-free meals and there are plenty of recipes allowing you to create your own yummy meat-free experience.

JENNY WARD
Montgomery
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Animals

LETTERS to the Editor

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Letters should be brief and MUST include name, address and telephone number of the writer. The Editor reserves the right to condense letters

Did countries learn nothing from past?

THE US and Europe have learned nothing from history, both still act like colonial powers by backing the Arab Spring.

The consequence is that the movement has been hijacked by militant Islam, resulting in more Christians being murdered for no reason other than following a different faith to the rest of the Muslim world.

Back home we have seen radical Islam take hold in inner cities throughout the land, and left-wing students have been very vocal in protesting. All of this can lead to a union of the two and before long we will have a British equivalent of the German Baader-Meinhof group; students bombing government buildings and taking hostages.

MARK NORWOOD
Oswestry

Expenses scandal has gone quiet

WHILE WATCHING the Andrew Marr show on TV, I was listening to Harriet Harman talking about the police and newspapers and being corrupt, due to police being paid.

I thought 'what about the corrupt palace of Westminster and members dipping into tax funds', everything has gone very quiet on that.

Also on TV was a lively debate on Iran and Islamic power.

Is the USA going to use its dog of war, Israel, to carry out air strikes on Iran?

But why only Iran? Why not India, Pakistan, China and a probable number of others?

What is the difference? All down to the evil of politics.

T ASTLEY
Llanymynech,
Powys

Art studio's open events

AN ART studio in Oswestry will be holding two open weekends later this year.

Borderland Visual Arts is planning its open studios events for June 9 and 10 and June 16 and 17.

The days will start at 10am and run until 5pm in venues across Oswestry. People will also get to discuss the work on show and buy the pieces of art on display.

For more information about the events call (01691) 654961.

Courses on offer

THE COLEG Powys full-time courses book for 2012/2013 is now available.

It provides details of the full-time courses that the college is offering in the next academic year.

The book will be of interest to anyone who is looking at studying full-time and, in particular, pupils in year 11.

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NEWS
in brief**Council rethink over town plans**

WELSHPOOL Town Council will review the town's development plan following the May elections it was revealed this week.

The collapse of the plan to build shopping units on the Spar car park has prompted the council to have a rethink about the town's future, and residents will be consulted.

"I think it has been a case of too much, too soon," said town clerk Robert Robinson. "There will be a new council in place in May and one of their first jobs is to collectively review the town plan this summer."

Club to arrange two big days out

MIDDLETOWN Border Club, near Welshpool, will be organising two coach trips this summer.

On June 13 there will be a trip to St Fagans Museum of Welsh Life and admission will be free.

The coach will cost between £12 and £16 per person depending on numbers.

On August 8 there is a trip to the National Boat Museum, Ellesmere Port.

For more details call Jane on (01938) 570484.

Dance fundraiser

A FUNDRAISING dance is being held for the Wales Air Ambulance 'Leap into Action' fund on April 21 at Berriew Community Centre from 7.30pm.

Earl escorts visitors on very special guided tour at castle

THE EIGHTH Earl of Powis has opened his doors to the public for an exclusive tour of his ancestral home at Welshpool.

More than a dozen visitors got a chance to look behind the closed doors of Powis Castle last Friday.

They also got the chance to find out more about ancestors who lived in the property – now owned by the National Trust – from as far back as 1587.

Alison Dyer, assistant visitor services manager at Powis Castle and Gardens, said:

by Graham Breeze

Ladies-only gym to open

A LADIES-ONLY gym will open at The Armoury on May 5 – the day the health and fitness centre will be holding a charity open day with a difference.

As work on revamping The Armoury continues, officials have confirmed that they will open the first ladies-only gym and unveil a new reception area.

"We have listened to what a lot of people have been telling us over the past year, and one of the main suggestions was the ladies-only gym," said manager Chris Greatorex.

"Some ladies feel more comfortable working out in a single-sex gymnasium so we have invested in creating this for them. It will be kitted out with the latest equipment and be open throughout the day and evening like the main gym."

The Armoury is hosting a charity open day with a difference on May 5 when anyone is invited to have a look around to try out the facilities and classes. There will be gym challenges during the afternoon.

"This was a rare honour that we were really excited about."

"To have a private tour of Powis Castle with the eighth Earl himself was a very special treat for anyone interested in history or who love to hear stories from one of the most fascinating families in Great Britain."

The castle and gardens opened for the 2012 season on March 1.

The gardens will be open from 11am to 4.30pm throughout March, with the castle opening an hour earlier than usual at noon.

Volunteers

She added that staff were also looking for more volunteers to get involved in helping at the castle.

She said: "Volunteering at Powis is about meeting new people and working right at the heart of an amazing castle and garden. There are roles to suit everyone."

"We're just looking for people who are friendly, welcoming and feel comfortable talking to visitors, and who have an interest in the trust or its work."

"Volunteers can do as little or as much as they want."

"We have roles to suit everybody," she added.

For details about volunteering contact Alison Dyer on (01938) 551929 or email alison.dyer@nationaltrust.org.uk



Lord Powis extends a welcome to Powis Castle.

Manager is needed to take on town pub

WELSHPOOL'S newest pub has launched its search for a manager or management couple who will be responsible for spearheading the recruitment of up to 30 new employees.

The Good Shepherd is rapidly taking shape opposite Tesco and is expected to be open in time for the summer, and Marston's, the chain behind the development, has revealed that it will be extending its popular two-for-the-price-of-one deal on all main meals and specials in the pub.

The job advert has appeared on www.jobsite.co.uk (<http://bit.ly/ziWOv6>) for a food pub manager/management couple.

The advert describes the Good Shepherd as a classic pub restaurant. Typically high volume, food led family friendly venue, with an extensive menu and large specials board, catering for a wide variety of tastes.

The owners are looking for an experienced industry professional expected to be used to the demands of recruiting, managing and developing a large team.

Marston's, which operates over 500 inns and taverns, is the country's largest builder of new pubs with another 135 opening over the next five years.



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Boundaries rethink call to save Montgomeryshire

by Graham Breeze

WITH Montgomeryshire set to disappear off the political map at the next election, the fight to save one of Britain's oldest shires is on.

Montgomeryshire MP Glyn Davies has led the calls for the boundaries commission to redraw its boundaries for the next election, after the constituency was torn in three and lumped in with other new zones.

Under the proposals from the Boundary Commission for Wales, the constituency would be split into three. Welshpool would join a North Powys and Glyndwr constituency, also including Llangollen and Denbigh. Newtown, Montgomery and Llanidloes would be moved into a South Powys constituency, with Llandrindod Wells, Builth Wells and Brecon. Machynlleth would join the Gwynedd constituency.

Councillor Alan Crowe from Welshpool has now called for residents to make their voices heard. He said: "We all need to do our bit to Save Montgomeryshire, so that we can keep our identity."

These changes will see the eradication of Mid Wales leaving South Wales and North Wales. After all the government keeps telling us to be aware of identity theft.

Mr Crowe is urging residents to add Montgomeryshire to their home addresses in correspondence and to make their feelings known through letters to the Boundary Commission and their MPs and AMs.

Council to tackle wasps

WASP infestations in Welshpool homes will be tackled by council pest teams.

Powys County Council is reintroducing treatments for wasps found in domestic properties from the beginning of April at a cost of £44.64. For more details call 0845 602 7037 or (01597) 827467.

Time to have a look back



THE Inglenook Cafe in Welshpool is running an exhibition showing scenes of what the area around Union Street used to look like. Taking a look at the pictures was Sheila Beedles from the cafe.

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NEWS

in brief

Events to go on despite date clash

A STREET Scene event planned for Welshpool is to go ahead on June 30, despite it clashing with the town's annual Help For Heroes fundraiser.

Welshpool Projects Group's business forum had discussed delaying or cancelling the event but on Monday night agreed it should continue.

Councillor Alan Crowe said: "The Help For Heroes event doesn't start until 2pm and Street Scene will be looking to end around 3pm," he said.

"The organisers don't feel our event will impact and I am confident they can run on the same day."

Thief flees with memory cards

A THIEF grabbed £400 worth of memory cards from Welshpool Sainsbury's before stuffing them down his trousers and running out of the store.

The incident occurred last Thursday lunch time at 12.45pm and police are looking for a white male, aged approximately 40-years-old. If you have information, call 101.

Heating oil theft

WELSHPOOL police are investigating the theft of heating oil from Criggon Lane, Trewern. Thieves removed 200 litres from a tank between March 14-17. Anyone with information can call police on 101.

Traders demand support on changes to one-way system

TRADERS IN Welshpool have called on the Town Council to back their demands for changes to the town's controversial one-way system.

The Welshpool Projects Business Forum this week asked the council to take up their protests and press the Welsh Assembly Government to make major changes to the system which they claim has damaged business and is keeping people away from the town.

Meeting on Monday the group called for the reintroduction of a two-way system the length of Union Street from the Church Street junction to Raven Roundabout.

They also called for a new road to be built linking the by-pass at the Railway Station Junction to Union Street.

Their call for support will go before the full Town Council meeting next Wednesday night.

Alan Ballard, of Ballard's Garage, said the new system was a 'disaster'. "Red Bank has become the new by-pass with people taking short cuts rather than travel into town," he said. "I met 38 cars when walking home for my lunch today."

Councillor Philip Pritchard described the one-way system as 'a complete disgrace' and announced he had lodged a formal complaint with the Audit Commission.

Nightmare

"Now the official complaint has been lodged they have no alternative but to carry out a review," he said. "The entire system needs to be re-run. It is a complete nightmare for this town."

"I want to know who suggested this scheme in the first place. Powys Council has confirmed it was not their proposal so who was behind it?"

Mike Exton said holiday makers were now avoiding the town. "Caravan park owners are advising travellers to take alternative routes. People who would normally stop off in town and spend money are no longer even coming this way."

"People came to Welshpool because it was a traditional town with lots of individual shops. Now our retail trade and our high street is dying."

Attractions guide is available



A NEW events and attractions guide for Welshpool has just been released. Featuring major attractions in Welshpool. With some guides hot off the press was Rosemary Charman, from Welshpool council. Picture: Peter Flemmich.

Ex-pupil returns to school as its head

A FORMER pupil of a Welshpool primary school is to return to become its head teacher.

Russell Cadwallader was this week named as the new head at Ysgol Maesyddre to the delight of its chairman of governors.

Mr Derek Simms said the new head was a respected and experienced teacher and the board of governors was delighted with the appointment. "We would like to wish Mr Cadwallader every success in his challenging new role," he said.

"The school was placed in special measures last year following an Estyn Report and we are confident that under his guidance we will be able to complete an action plan that we have in place to meet all the Estyn guidelines."

The school is working its way through a 10 point programme of Estyn requirements and was meeting with inspectors this week.

Mr Cadwallader is currently head teacher at Maesyrrhandir County Primary School in Newtown and was previously head at Castle Caereinion Primary School. He is a well known local sportsman, having played both cricket and football for the town. He is an ex-manager of Welshpool Town FC and currently manager at Guilsfield.

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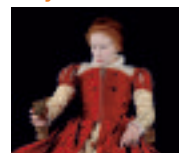
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Revamp of venue started

WORK IS under way to give Oswestry's showground a facelift.

The improvements at the Park Hall showground should be finished before this year's Oswestry Show, one of the biggest, one-day agricultural shows in the country, on August 4.

Contractors have already begun to re-roof the pavilion that is the centre of the showground. Other work will include providing better parking for disabled visitors.

Phil Jones, chairman of the Oswestry and District Agricultural Society, said the work, which is costing £150,000, would help to keep the showground as an important venue, not only for Oswestry Show, but for other events such as caravan and camping rallies and antiques fairs.

He said funding had included a £140,000 grant from Shropshire Council's Market Towns Revitalisation Programme.

Pigs fly over jumps as farm racing season begins early

AND THEY'RE off...the pig racing season has got under way earlier than planned at Park Hall Countryside Experience near Oswestry.

Pig racing was introduced last year at the award-winning tourist attraction after a racecourse was set up and visitors flocked to see the kune kune pigs in action and cheer on their favourites.

Bosses at Park Hall had planned to reintroduce the attraction later this year but have decided to start the season now as the warm spring weather has made the going perfect for the racing.

The first race was held last Thursday.

Rachel Mottram, marketing and education officer, said: "The spring weather has created ground conditions for racing which are now 'good to firm' so you can now see the pigs in action

by Graham Breeze

once a day at 2pm when the farm is open.

"As the holidays begin there will be two races each day at 12.30pm and 2.30pm.

"The pigs have racing colours of red, blue, yellow and orange and racegoers can choose which pig to support by selecting a badge of their colour.

"Hot favourite is Pinky, racing in red, but he has been known to get sidetracked by the fresh grass."

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Roger Powell with, left to right, Salt, Pinky and Greedy.



Salt in the lead followed by Pinky.

Medals for bravery are sold

THREE Liverpool Shipwreck and Humane Society medals awarded to two Liverpool policemen for their life-saving bravery sold for £1,600 at auction in Shrewsbury.

An Oswestry owner sold the silver and bronze medals, which were awarded to PC John R. Stott and PC Edward Fletcher, at Halls' auction of fine paintings, silver, jewellery, watches, coins and medals.

Constable Stott's silver medal was awarded for saving a man from a sewer in Liverpool after he had been overcome by fumes on November 2, 1931.

Included in the lot, which sold for £1,100, were his First World War medals, police good service and Coronation medals, two whistles, a walking stick, certificates, photographs and ephemera.

Medals awarded to Constable Edward Fletcher and his son Edward Fletcher Junior, sold for £500.

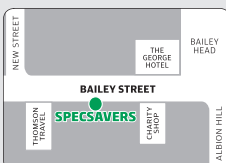


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BUSINESS

BT staff manning telethon call site

BT STAFF in Oswestry are providing a double boost for Sport Relief this year – with volunteers manning phones in the county for tomorrow's telethon.

A pledge centre for telephone donations will, for the first time, be run from BT's base at BT Network House at Park Hall.

While some BT volunteers take donations from Sport Relief supporters over the phone, another team will be monitoring the country's phone network to ensure the smooth running of the telethon on the night. A host of fundraising activities are also planned.

The call centre will run from 6pm until midnight.

Barbara McNally-Young, head of technical services at Network House, said: "Unlike the other BT pledge centres taking donations, we are not a working call centre, so we have had to put in a temporary phone system to allow up to 80 people here to take donations at any one time."

She added: "We've got the Women's Institute baking cakes, and on Sport Relief night we'll have face painting, belly dancing, a raffle and lots of other activities, as well as a children's entertainment area with Wii games and a cinema of BT Vision films. Local local brownies, guides and scouts will be serving refreshments."

Penalty warnings for firms who make late payments



David Walker.

BUSINESSES that are consistently late paying their PAYE or Construction Industry Scheme (CIS) payments were warned they will face huge penalties this week.

David Walker, director of tax at Turner Peachey, Chartered Accountants said the new penalty regime has been existent since April 2010 but, because of calculation procedures some businesses have yet to realise the liabilities they face.

"A single late payment in the tax year won't be penalised, although interest will still be due," said Mr Walker.

"Two defaults in the year will trigger a penalty of one per cent of the amount due whilst in the worst case of ten or more defaults, a four per cent penalty will be charged. "However, this can get much worse, with a five per cent penalty due on tax unpaid six months after the penalty date and another five per cent if it remains unpaid after a year."

Penalties can apply to PAYE that is in arrears as well as national insurance, student loan and CIS deductions. To make matters worse, HM Revenue and Customs may not warn a business that it is in default, but will review the position at the end of the tax year.

They then have two years to impose any penalties due.

"Business owners can claim a reduction if they have a reasonable excuse – but pressure of work or ignorance of the law aren't considered reasonable excuses," said Mr Walker. "Lack of funds to pay may be taken into account, but only if HMRC accepts this was outside the control of the business."

"Some businesses have been charged tens of thousands of pounds in penalties, but crucially, these have sometimes been reduced, deferred or avoided altogether."

Mr Walker recommended any business in receipt of a penalty notice should consult their tax adviser as a matter of urgency.



Seasonal talk about lambing

THIS MONTH'S meeting of North Shropshire & Borders Smallholders Group is a seasonal talk about practical lambing.

Andy Clough from Walford and North Shropshire College will be talking about pre and post lambing and how to look after the new additions to your flock. Anyone is welcome to go along to the talk at Llanyblodwel & Porthywaen Hall next Wednesday at 7.30pm at a cost of £3 for visitors.

For more information please ring Pete and Pam on 01691 680950 or Phil and Ann on 01691 656516 or go to our website at www.northshrop-smallholder.co.uk

Gifts galore as business thrives



One of the embroidered bags available from The Gates.

REGARDLESS of the economic downturn an Oswestry gift shop, The Gates Gifts on Church Street continues to go from strength to strength.

As specialists in handmade, British and fair trade home furnishings and gifts, the owners have found that their niche has allowed them to thrive despite the recession which has destroyed so many other retailers.

Mother and daughter-in-law Jacqueline Willman and Wendy Unwin are very excited about the future.

Not only are they flat-out with made-to-order commissions, they are in the process of working with an Oswestry based screen-printing company to produce a range of original products based on Jacqui's artwork.

The first of these products cockerel illustrated aprons, tea towels and bags arrived last week and are already selling very well.

To find out more about The Gates unique products why not take a stroll up Church Street for a browse or visit them online at www.thegatesgifts.com

Planning rules go under the spotlight

NEW planning rules and renewable energy will be on the agenda at a seminar being held in Oswestry on March 29.

The seminar has been organised by DPA Surveys and the Oswestry branch of the National Farmers Union at The Wynnstay Hotel.

David Parker of DPA Surveys will speak about the potential to develop land that is outside of prescribed development boundaries.

He will also explain the current position with regard to Affordable Housing and the newly introduced Community Infrastructure Levy.

Mark Jones, Oswestry NFU Secretary, has arranged for Dr Ceris Jones to speak on climate change and renewable energy.

Dr Jones is a highly regarded specialist in the field of climate change and a renowned public speaker.

To encourage attendance, bacon rolls and coffee will be available on arrival for those taking part.

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We are bidding for pilot status

THE CHAMBER of Commerce, working closely with Footfall and both Oswestry Town and Shropshire Councils are developing a bid for Oswestry to become a Portas Town 'pilot'.

The Portas Report says that the high streets of the future should be multi-functional and social places, bustling with people, services and jobs which offer a clear and compelling purpose and experience not available elsewhere, and which meets the needs and interest of the local people.

The chamber supports this vision. Our application will reflect this and will be strengthened by the support of local people and groups such as yours. Time is too short for proper engagement and dialogue as the application needs to be in by the end of March, but the application can be seen as the beginning of a process and we intend for this discussion and conversation to continue beyond the bid itself.

The application will seek to build on Oswestry's culture and heritage, and reflect the many strengths that we have. It will emphasise that we wish to see more and more people enjoying their town and participating in its life.

We would like to make it easier for people, local groups and businesses to take part in town centre activities and make it easy and fun for people to make things happen in their town.

We aim to re-brand the town – showing the spaces, the calendar, contact details and would produce a brochure/pack with new town mapping, showing performance spaces, yearly calendar, examples of what can be done and stories of groups who have engaged with the town – basically an invitation to participate and enjoy the town.

Organisations are invited to e-mail info@oswestrychamber.org.uk confirming they are happy for their name to be included on the list of organisations supporting this application.

MARTIN ANDERSON
Chairman, Oswestry Chamber of Commerce

Clerk speaks to MPs about Portas plans for high street

OSWESTRY'S town clerk spoke to MPs in Parliament on Monday about plans by retail guru Mary Portas to save the high street.

David Preston has been invited to speak before the All Party Parliamentary Group on Local Democracy.

The theme of the meeting was on the Portas Review of high streets, a Government initiative to help safeguard the future of Britain's town centres.

Oswestry is one of several towns in the UK bidding for a share of a £1 million cashpot as part of the Portas Review.

by Graham Breeze

Poultry auction sale to be held

ORGANISERS of a successful poultry auction in Oswestry will be holding another sale next month.

Roger Parry & Partners LLP and bird enthusiast Andy Cawthray, of Chickenstreet, will hold the next sale on April 14, at Park Hall showground.

The previous auction saw almost 400 lots entered with more than 1,000 birds on sale.

Mr Cawthray said the auctions have caused a stir within poultry circles and he had seen an increasing numbers of people looking to have their own small flock of chickens in the garden.

"The nature of poultry auctions is unlike other livestock auctions. It pulls people in from all walks of life, from the experienced breeder to novice keeper. It provides an excellent opportunity to meet up and socialise with like-minded folk."

The closing date for entries is April 2. Contact Chickenstreet on (01691) 657178 for more details.

The cash will go to 12 towns who successfully bid for the Portas funding and will be used to turn around unloved and unused high streets.

Mr Preston said the aim of Monday's meeting was to capture the take-up from the Portas Review and also link in with work on localism and neighbourhood planning.

He said: "This was an excellent opportunity to highlight the importance that Oswestry places in markets that are a key theme in the Portas review."

Organisations

"We are supporting the Love Your Market campaign and will be taking part in National Market Week, looking to involve as many individuals and organisations as possible in Oswestry markets."

Town mayor Cynthia Hawksley said: "We are delighted to receive this invitation that demonstrates the respect that Oswestry has within our national association."

"The town council is supportive of the Oswestry bid and it will be helpful to both contribute and listen to this debate at a national level."

Mr Preston had been invited to speak at the meeting by the National Association of Local Councils along with town clerks from the market towns of Ivybridge and Abingdon. Representatives from the Association of Town Centre Management and the National Association of British Market Authorities also attended.

Brewery to showcase new ale



Back, left to right, Brian Evans, secretary of Oswestry Lions Club and Lions member Linda Roberts with, front left to right, Clive Humphries, from Oswestry Lions Club and organiser of the festival and Shane Parr, from the Stonehouse Brewery.

A TOWN brewery will be showcasing one of its newest beers at an annual real ale festival in Oswestry.

More than 25 casks have been lined up ready for the Lions Club's fourth festival in the Memorial Hall, in Smithfield Street, from 6pm on Friday to Sunday.

Staff at Stonehouse Brewery, in Oswestry, will source beers and provide specialist equipment.

This year it will be supplying three of its ales including its newest creation Sunlander, made by using Australian hops.

Shane Parr, from the brewery, said: "We are happy to see the festival grow year on year. We will be supplying three beers and all the ales from other breweries come to our depot and are stored in our cellar."

As well as serving up real ales festival there will also be cider, wine and soft drinks available for people attending the event.

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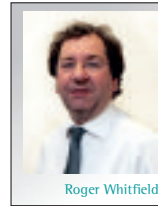
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College plans to improve activities

STAFF AT Walford and North Shropshire College in Oswestry want to create a multi-use games area and upgrade grass pitches as part of a £250,000 project to provide more sporting activities for youngsters.

The games area will be placed on the field opposite the new leisure centre and will have fencing to catch stray balls.

The college also wants to use the cash to improve its training rooms.

About £100,000 in funding has been awarded to the college by the Skills Funding Agency and the college itself has added an extra £150,000.

College principal Andrew Tyley said: "It is to help improve the facilities for the sports courses at the college. It seems to make sense to bring that area into proper use."

"It will be a really good development. Sport is a really important part of the college and it has grown over the years."

"This will strengthen our role and could be excellent for the town."

The college sent a planning application to Shropshire Council for permission to install the plans after it announced it will be running a foundation degree in sport development and coaching, in partnership with Stafford University, in September.

Youth council members win high praise from the mayor

YOUTH COUNCILS have a vital role to play in the life of any town or city, according to the mayor of Oswestry.

Councillor Cynthia Hawksley made the claim after Oswestry's Youth Council was nominated for a High Sheriff's Young Citizenship Award.

The nomination, from Shropshire Youth, is for the important decisions and work members carry out to improve conditions for young people in the town and the award winners will be announced at an event in Telford on March 27.

Councillor Hawksley praised the work of Oswestry's own youth council, saying today's young people were being wrongly given a bad press.

She recently attended a meeting of the youth council, an arm of the town council, to find out more about its work.

"I was very impressed," she said. "Every member takes their role very seriously and the youth council is getting involved in the life and the future of Oswestry."

"It is good to see teenagers from all three schools and colleges in the town on the youth council and integrating with each other."

Miles of fun to aid Sport Relief

PEOPLE IN the Oswestry area can take part in the Sport Relief mile, thanks to The Venue at Park Hall.

The centre, home of The New Saints Football Club, is organising a Sport Relief event on Sunday.

Starting at 11am there will be various times during the day to take part in a mile run.

One of the organisers, Stephen Stokes, said people of all ages could take part and could walk, jog run, and even take part in fancy dress.

"We will have plenty of water available and there will be medals for all those completing the mile," he said.

It costs £3 to enter or just £6 for a family and everyone is encouraged to get sponsorship for the Sport Relief charity.

More details are available from The Venue on (01691) 684840 or www.gotothvenue.com

Equipment

Members represent the Marches School, Oswestry School, Walford and North Shropshire College, the youth cafe and My Space.

Over the past year the youth council has given its views on various matters affecting Oswestry. This included helping to choose equipment for the new playground being built in the town's Cae Glas Park.

Last week members of the youth council joined up with young people involved in the new My Space youth centre to look at the materials being used within the new building in Oak Street. The council has also handed out £1,000 in grants to projects launched by Oswestry Youth Cafe.

Councillor Hawksley said: "Too often these days young people are branded as lazy or troublemakers. I wish that people could see how great the vast majority of young people are."

Freddie has his day at Crufts



Anne Goddard with her golden retriever who came third in the Limit Class at Crufts.

A GOLDEN retriever whose owners are from Llandysil proved every dog really does have its day after winning a prize at Crufts.

Freddie was among thousands of dogs who competed at this year's event, and was placed third in the golden retriever limit dog class.

His owners, Brian and Anne Goddard from Llandysil, Montgomery, said they were left beaming with pride following Freddie's performance.

Mrs Goddard said: "Freddie was celebrating his sixth birthday on the day he competed."

"We are incredibly pleased with his performance because the standard of competition was very high and he had to compete against 20 other entries. We just couldn't believe that he had come third, we definitely were not expecting it."

She said Freddie's French father was an international champion and his English mother was a successful show winner. Freddie's maternal grandfather was best of breed in 2001.

Freegle in running for a Climate Week prize

AN ONLINE recycling initiative, which has about 17,000 members across Shropshire, has been short-listed for an award.

The Freegle organisation runs localised websites to allow people to offer and ask for a wide range of goods and items for free.

The group will find out on Sunday at an award ceremony in London whether it has won the category of best community initiative in this year's Climate Week Awards.

Sara Horner, who volunteers to help the Oswestry Freegle group, said she would be travelling to London this weekend to represent the organisation at the ceremony.

She said: "We have around 17,000 members across the whole of Shropshire with groups in Shrewsbury, Oswestry, Telford, Ludlow and North Shropshire."

"We would love more people to start reusing locally so we are really thrilled at being shortlisted."

"I am really looking forward to go to the awards ceremony and it is great all our hard work has been recognised."

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A clean start to Spring!

THERE comes a time when you can no longer sweep that dirt under the carpet.

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In other words, with the first day of spring looming on March 21, it's time to face that annual ritual known as the spring clean.

But there's no need to despair if you don't have Upstairs Downstairs-style staff to scrub and slave.

BBC news presenter Joanna Gosling has unlocked the secret of stress-free cleaning, and shows how to cut the time it takes in half in her new book *Simply Wonderwoman*.

"Over the years I've discovered some tricks that are so easy that I wanted to share, because like any working mother I know what it's like to have too much to do and not enough time to cram it all in," says Gosling, who has three daughters, aged nine to three, with her husband Craig Oliver, who is David Cameron's chief of communications.

It's a busy household but her cosy home has an air of calm and order, with one kitchen wall painted in blackboard paint as an easy 'organiser' space, a string washing line with painted pegs holding party invitations and children's colourful art work, and a ladder boasting neat rows of glass jars and containers.

"I realised a long time ago that we may all want to be that wonderwoman - baking, home-making, a perfect wife and mother, and possibly doing all that on top of working."

"But the reality is no one can really embody everything we imagine her to be. So we need to think smart and my mantra about housework is 'minimum effort, maximum return'."

"Over the years, I've loved the eureka moment of discovering a great corner-cutting method or a tip that really works."



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CLEAN SWEEP: "Break the task into bite-sized chunks and just focus on one room at a time," says Gosling. "And always start at the top and work down so you don't dirty already cleaned areas."

Get a long-handled duster (or wrap a microfibre cloth around the bristles of a broom) and sweep along the top of walls and around any cornices to get rid of dust and cobwebs.

"Get the vacuum cleaner and set suction to low so you can clean over curtains, the tops of doors, sofas, chairs, cushions and skirting boards. Pull out furniture to make sure you get rid of dust lurking behind," says Gosling.

Get a damp cloth and a dry microfibre cloth. Take everything off all surfaces and wipe over with the damp cloth to clean away dust.

Rinse out cloth and repeat to ensure surface is clean. Buff dry with microfibre cloth.

Do the same to all objects before they go back. There's no need to use cleaning products as the wet wipe and dry microfibre cleans and shines everything - including silver picture frames!

MAKE IT SHINE: Clean mirrors and picture glass, as well as TV and computer screens, with the same damp cloth and dry microfibre cloth, before finishing with windows.

"Do keep rinsing your cleaning cloth, or replace it if it gets dirty or ragged," advises Gosling. "Likewise, have a spare microfibre to hand if it gets too damp."

Clean off any stubborn marks on paintwork with a little scouring cream and wash away thoroughly with a clean, damp cloth.

Now vacuum the floor. If you have rugs, take them outside and shake. If you have hard floors, vacuum or sweep, then clean.

If you have carpet, use a cleaning spray on any dirty marks and then vacuum on full suction power.

KITCHEN BLITZ: Shiny clean floors and surfaces are essential in the room that's the heart of the home.

"Bring a floor back to its best by doing a 'hands and knees' clean to remove ingrained dirt that mops just don't touch," urges Gosling.

Sweep the floor first, then in a bowl mix up a solution of a juice of half a lemon, one cup of white vinegar and one cup of warm water. Get another bowl of warm water and a couple of cloths.

Wring the cloth out well so it is slightly damp then put it in the lemon and vinegar solution, squeeze out excess and get scrubbing.

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Four-bed residence has been modernised to high standard

Rookwood, 3 Croeswylan Close, Oswestry, is a spacious family house on the outskirts of the town with a large garden and fine views across the adjoining countryside. Priced at offers around £489,500, the home includes gas-fired central heating, cavity wall insulation and uPVC double glazing, and is within walking distance of the town's shopping centre. The property was constructed in 1962 and has been fully modernised in recent years.

There is a spacious reception hall, guest cloakroom, inner hallway, study, dining room with patio doors to the garden, laundry, lounge and garden room. The 'L' shaped breakfast kitchen features an integrated stainless steel gas hob and double oven, plumbing for a dishwasher, and a walk-in pantry. Upstairs are four fitted double bedrooms, two ensuite, and a family bathroom. The property occupies a quiet cul-de-sac position and is

approached over a brick paved driveway providing ample car parking and access to a double garage. There is a large south-facing garden laid mainly to lawn, with paved pathways and patio areas, a rose garden, compost area, flower and herbaceous borders, vegetable plot, greenhouse and spring garden. For further information or to arrange a viewing, contact selling agents JJ Dell & Co on 01691 653437 or visit the website www.jjdell.co.uk



Smallholding with 7 acres for auction

A North Shropshire smallholding with a range of outbuildings and seven acres of pasture and woodland is to go under the hammer with a guide price of £175,000 to £200,000 on March 23.

The Hatch at Lyneal, near Ellesmere, is a period, detached, two-storey house, which is believed to be more than 200 years old.

The accommodation comprises a ground floor lobby, kitchen, lounge and dining room together with two first floor bedrooms. There is potential for a 10kw solar panel system to be installed on the land, which will give free electricity for 25 years.

For more information please contact Halls on 01691 622602 or visit www.hallsgb.com

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PROPERTIES OF THE WEEK



Individually designed property offers far-reaching views

On the market for £325,000, number 23 Delfan, Pant, is an individual detached property with good sized garden and outstanding views.

The accommodation includes master bedroom with ensuite shower, fitted kitchen, utility, triple aspect lounge and three bedrooms, with a double garage and paved patio outside. The home has oil-fired central heating and hardwood double glazing.

For further information please contact Morris Marshall and Poole on 01691 679595 or visit www.morrismarshall.co.uk



Four-bedroom village semi is well presented

Number 2 Ferndale Close, Foxen Manor, Four Crosses, Llanymynech, an extremely spacious four-bedroom semi-detached property, is for sale through Parry Lowarch priced at around £176,000.

It has an entrance porch, sitting room, dining room, conservatory, kitchen/breakfast room, good-sized utility with downstairs cloakroom, small integral garage, master bedroom with ensuite shower room, three further good-sized bedrooms, family bathroom, night storage heating, double glazing and gardens.

For further information please contact Parry Lowarch on 01743 343343 or visit www.parrylowarch.co.uk



Detached bungalow has planning consent for extension

Offered with planning permission for an extension, 10 Bradley Fields, Oswestry, is on the market with no chain for £195,000. The two-bedroom detached bungalow comprises a hall, lounge, dining room, kitchen/breakfast room, two double bedrooms and family bathroom. Consent was granted in 2008 for an extension to provide an extra bedroom and enhanced living accommodation. Outside there is off-road parking for four cars, a single garage and large gardens.

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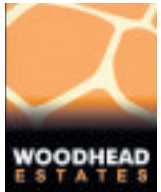
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Period terrace for sale with no upward chain

Offers over £139,950 are invited for 2 Hand Terrace, Chirk, which is on the market with no upward chain. This character two-bedroom mid terrace property contains enviable period features, a kitchen/dining room, garden room, living room, inner hallway, two bedrooms and bathroom. There are low maintenance gardens to the front and rear with a patio area in the enclosed rear garden, as well as a workshop and garage.

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Immaculate family house set on corner plot

Number 4 St Annes Drive, Morda, is an immaculately presented four-bedroom detached house in a lovely corner plot position and benefits from an attached double garage and conservatory. There is a living room with fireplace, a dining room, breakfast kitchen, utility, first floor landing, master bedroom ensuite, family bathroom, gas-fired central heating, double glazing, double width driveway providing ample off-street parking and attractively landscaped low-maintenance gardens. Offers are invited based on £225,000.

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Roomy rural retreat includes stabling and large gardens

Lower Lodge, Fron Bank, Forden, is on the market with a guide price of £325,000. The immaculate four-bedroom detached country house stands on a plot extending to three-quarters of an acre and comprises a utility, large kitchen/breakfast room, conservatory, spacious lounge with dining area, shower room/wc, three double and one single first floor bedrooms, and cloakroom. Outside there is a driveway with ample turning and parking, timber garage/workshop and two block built stables. The grounds are laid mainly to lawn with fruit trees and include an ornamental pond and vegetable garden.

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Price: £279,950

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Set 0.80 of an acre of gardens and grounds this extended detached cottage is situated in a pleasant location on the edge of this popular village and must be viewed to be appreciated.

- 3 Bed Detached Cottage
- 2 Reception Rooms
- Open Countryside Views
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Station Road, Gobowen

Price: £129,950

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NEW **NO CHAIN**

A detached two bedroom bungalow with private rear garden benefiting from double glazing and gas fired central heating.

- 2 Bed Bungalow
- Double Glazing
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The Haven, Four Crosses

Price: £355,000

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NEW **NO CHAIN**

A well appointed and individually designed detached bungalow offering spacious accommodation with views to The Breidden Hills or open countryside from most windows and conservatory.

- 2 Bed Bungalow
- 2 Reception Rooms
- Conservatory
- Oil Central Heating
- UPVC DG & PVC Panels
- South Facing
- Standing In Just Over 2 Acres



Perry Bank, Hengoed

Price: £244,950

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NEW **NO CHAIN**

Situated in a lovely semi rural location in a cul de sac of 4 properties with excellent commuter links within easy reach this four bedroom detached family home must be viewed to be appreciated.

- 4 Bed (Master & En-Suite)
- Open Countryside Views To Rear
- Oil Central Heating
- UPVC Double Glazing
- Garage & Parking
- Gardens



Hampton Road, Oswestry

Price: £150,000

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NEW **NO CHAIN**

A two bedroom detached bungalow situated in a most sought after and popular residential area, known for being quiet and close to Oswestry Town centre.

- 2 Bed Detached Bungalow
- 2 Reception Rooms
- Garage & Parking
- Sought After Location
- Gardens



Fron Isaf, Chirk

Price: £154,950

Contact Oswestry

NEW **NO CHAIN**

This quaint country property dates back to the 1800s and benefits from panoramic views of the North Shropshire Plain. Situated just over the border and near to Chirk Castle this extended three bedroom cottage must be viewed to be appreciated.

- 3 Double Bedrooms
- 2 Reception Rooms
- Detached Garage / Workshop
- Private Garden
- Viewing Advised



Wern, Weston Rhyn

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NO CHAIN

A rare opportunity to purchase a semi detached country cottage with character, charm and lovely open countryside views, situated on the outskirts of the popular border village of Trefonen.

- 2 Double Bedrooms
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- 1920 Character Features
- Gardens
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Weston View, Wern

Price: £239,995

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NO CHAIN

A four bedroom character property situated in a sought after hamlet location.

- 4 Bedroom Character Property
- Sought After Hamlet Location
- Oil Central Heating & Double Glazing
- Open Countryside Views
- Gardens
- Ample Parking



Greenfields, St Martins

Price: £119,950

Contact Oswestry

NEW **NO CHAIN**

A three bedroom semi detached family home situated in a popular village location with excellent amenities and nearby commuter links.

- 3 Bedroom Semi Detached
- Gas Central Heating
- Double Glazing
- Gardens
- Outbuilding & Shed



Oakfield, Morton

Price: £250,000

Contact Oswestry

NEW **NO CHAIN**

A property set in a lovely location with views to the hills, set in all approximately 1.5 acres. This property is in need of some updating however, the space and scope the property offers will no doubt attract property investors and families.

- 4 Bedrooms
- 2 Reception Rooms
- Approx. 1.5 Acres
- Requires Updating
- Double Garage & Parking
- Countryside Views



Oak Close, Weston Rhyn

Price: £189,950

Contact Oswestry

NO CHAIN

In excellent decorative order throughout a lovely detached bungalow set in a quiet cul de sac with superb kitchen dining room, conservatory, light and bright lounge, three double bedrooms, garage, pattern imprinted concrete driveway, gardens and workshop.

- 3 Double Bedrooms
- Detached Bungalow
- Garage, Workshop & Parking
- Gas Central Heating
- UPVC Double Glazing
- Viewing Recommended



Quinta Cottage, Ruyton XI Towns

Price: £229,950

Contact Oswestry

NO CHAIN

A charming detached sandstone cottage situated in a sought after village location with stunning views.

- 2 Bedroom Cottage
- Sought After Village
- Lovely Cottage Gardens
- Gas Central Heating
- UPVC Double Glazing
- Stunning Views



Maes Myllin, Llanfyllin

Price: £234,950

Contact Oswestry

NO CHAIN

In excellent decorative order this four bedroom town house and former B&B is a MUST see property. Offering spacious accommodation over three floors with superb 23ft by 23ft master bedroom ensuite.

- 4 Beds (Inc Master Suite)
- Views Over Llanfyllin Town & The Hills
- NHBC Guarantee
- Parking
- UPVC Double Glazing
- Gas Central Heating



North Road, Llanymynech

Price: £315,000

Contact Oswestry

NO CHAIN

Situated in 2 acres of gardens and grounds this extended cottage dates back to the 1800s. Offering spacious accommodation warmed by oil fired central heating and benefits from double glazing throughout this property must be viewed to be appreciated.

- 3 Bed Cottage
- 3 Reception Rooms & Conservatory
- Situated In 2 Acres
- Dating Back To The 1800s
- Orchard & Paddock
- Parking

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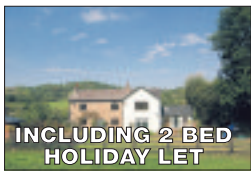
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Nant Mawr, Oswestry

A detached stone former farmhouse, set in grounds extending to approx 1.94 acres, range of out-buildings incorporating a two bedroom holiday let. Hall, sitting room, family room/dining room, large kitchen/breakfast room, WC, four bedrooms, family bathroom, family shower room, DG, oil CH, pretty cottage style gardens to the rear overlooking countryside, heated outdoor swimming pool. Annex; hall, open plan kitchen/living area, downstairs bedroom, bathroom, second mezzanine bedroom, with its own private garden away from the main house. Double garage, two stables, adjoining tack room/store.

Guide Price: £635,000

2927



**GARDENS & PADDOCK
JUST OVER 1 ACRE**

Llangedwyn, Oswestry

An attractive and extremely spacious, detached barn conversion, with uPVC DG, electric storage heating, wood burner, double garage, gardens and small paddock amounting in all to over one acre or thereabouts. Entrance hall, main reception hall, living room, dining room, cloaks/WC, large farmhouse style kitchen/breakfast room, utility room, large landing, four good bedrooms, en-suite shower room, family shower room. Occupying a delightful rural position set in the middle of its garden grounds, enjoying superb country views over the surrounding fields and beyond.

Guide Price: £449,950

2744



**IDEAL FOR SMALL
LUXURY B&B**

Llansantffraid

A detached property which has been totally re-designed and refurbished to make a spacious family home or as a small luxury B&B which is what it is currently being utilised for. Reception hall, feature central hallway, sitting room, conservatory, large dining room, study suite, small gym, kitchen/breakfast room, family room, laundry room, downstairs bedroom with en-suite shower room, mezzanine landing/sitting area, three double bedrooms with en-suite bathroom/shower rooms. PVC DG, propane gas CH, triple carport, easily maintained gardens, ample parking.

Guide Price: £445,000

2991



Edgerley, Oswestry

A charming, Grade II Listed detached period cottage with self contained annexe/garage block. Hall, living room, dining room, family/games room, kitchen/breakfast room, utility, WC, master bedroom with en-suite bathroom, two further bedrooms, family bathroom. Parking, gardens extending to approx 0.6 acre including greenhouse and polytunnel. Occupying a pleasant rural location in the hamlet of Edgerley, being about 12 miles from Shrewsbury and Oswestry.

Guide Price: £430,000

2717



Edgerley, Nr Oswestry

A substantial luxury barn conversion enjoying outstanding views over the fields and countryside, with extensive accommodation; large feature gallery entrance hall, downstairs cloakroom, large sitting room with sun room leading off, kitchen/breakfast room, utility room, dining room, landing, master bedroom with en-suite facilities, three further bedrooms, family bathroom. Set in good sized gardens, and at present, purchasers will have a choice of kitchens and sanitary ware, and a choice of heating systems. Double garage and adjoining paddock are available by separate negotiation.

Guide Price: £425,000

2899



**SET IN APPROX
2.5 ACRES**

Penygarreg Lane, Pant

A rare opportunity to acquire a substantial detached mature bungalow, set in good sized gardens and wooded dingle extending to approx 2.5 acres in total (or thereabouts). Feature reception hall, sitting room, lounge, dining room, kitchen/breakfast room, master bedroom with en suite shower room, two further bedrooms, family bathroom. Large double garage, oil CH, PVC DG to the majority of windows. It occupies a convenient location on the outskirts of the village within walking distance of local amenities.

Guide Price: £395,000

2962



**NO CHAIN
FIVE BEDROOMS**

Pant, Nr Oswestry

An extremely spacious and attractive 5 bedroom detached family house, Oil CH, mainly DG, large integral garage, and two storey detached building providing garaging with rooms above. Occupying a delightful rural position with fields to the rear, located about 5 miles from Oswestry and 15 miles from Shrewsbury, the plot extends in total to approx. 1/3 of an acre. Hall, 2 reception rooms, kitchen/breakfast room, utility, WC, master bedroom with en-suite shower room, four further bedrooms, family bathroom.

Guide Price: £365,000

2192



Edgerley, Nr Oswestry

A luxury barn conversion nearing completion, part of a small development of just 4 units, set in the hamlet of Edgerley. Reception hall, downstairs cloakroom, large sitting room, large dining room, kitchen/breakfast room, utility room, four good size bedrooms, all with en-suites (to be fitted), family bathroom. The kitchen and sanitary ware are now due to be ordered by the developer, therefore at this stage a choice of these may not be available. Please contact agents for details. Wood framed DG, detached double garage. Small adjoining paddock extending to approx an acre is available by separate negotiation.

Guide Price: £325,000

2897



Edgerley, Oswestry

A luxury barn conversion currently undergoing construction, on a small select development of four units. Hall, downstairs cloak, large sitting room/dining room, kitchen/breakfast room, utility room, four good size bedrooms, two en-suites, family bathroom. There is currently the option of choosing your own kitchen and sanitary ware and has a choice of heating systems. Front and rear gardens, ample parking. There is an option for a detached garage and/or a small adjacent paddock, both available by separate negotiation. Contact agents for further details.

Guide Price: £325,000

2898



Llanfechain

A substantial detached late Victorian family home, occupying a central position in the village Llanfechain, situated approx 12 miles west of Oswestry and 20 miles north west of Shrewsbury. Reception hall, sitting room, dining room, family room/srug, kitchen/breakfast room, cloak, conservatory with adjoining store, three double bedrooms, box room/dressing room, large family bathroom on the first floor, further double bedroom and large attic room on the second floor. Oil CH, concrete sectional double garage, and private gardens enjoying a lovely aspect.

Guide Price: £295,000

2810



**WITH OFFICE
SUITE/ANNEXE**

West Felton, Oswestry

A spacious, detached family house with the added benefit office suite/annexe. Hall, sitting room, kitchen/breakfast room, dining room, family room/downstairs bedroom with en-suite cloakroom, utility, master bedroom with en suite, three further bedrooms, family bathroom, office suite approached over a first floor balcony with two offices, incorporating kitchenette and WC. P/V DG, oil CH, good size garage with workshop area, good size private gardens to rear with open outlooks to the side. Occupying a central location in the village within easy walking distance of amenities.

Guide Price: £259,950

2984



**PART EXCHANGE
CONSIDERED**

Arddleen, Llanyrnymech

A deceptively spacious, individual, detached family house, with oil CH, wood framed DG, garage, ample parking, good sized garden to the rear. Occupying a very pleasant position in the village in an elevated position with a lovely outlook to the front, situated about six miles from Welshpool, and nine miles from Oswestry. Porch, reception hall, 22' lounge, 27' living room/dining room/kitchen, utility room, WC, four double bedrooms, luxury en-suite shower room, family bathroom.

Guide Price: £250,000



Llandrinio, Llanyrnymech

An attractive and deceptively spacious detached dormer style house with oil CH, uPVC DG, ample parking, garage, and garden. Occupying a very convenient position in the village, about 12 miles from Shrewsbury. Reception hall, living room, dining room, recently fitted luxury kitchen/breakfast room, utility room, ground floor bedroom and bathroom, landing, three further good size bedrooms, and separate WC.

Guide Price: £232,500

2190



Llansantffraid

An attractive, three bedroom detached double fronted, stone cottage, believed to date back to the 1790's and retaining a wealth of exposed timbers, and many period features. The property occupies a convenient position about one mile from the centre of the village with a range of local amenities and has the benefits of LP gas CH, parking and gardens. Hall, sitting room with wood burner, dining room, kitchen/breakfast room, landing, three bedrooms and bathroom.

Guide Price: £199,950

2870



Kinnerley, Oswestry

A well presented semi-detached property situated in a lovely location on the outskirts of the village of Kinnerley, enjoying lovely views over brook and woodland to the rear. Hall, downstairs cloakroom, sitting room, kitchen/dining room, three bedrooms and family bathroom. Oil CH, P/V DG, large detached single garage, lovely rear gardens set in two sections running down to feature brook and enjoying lovely open outlooks. The village of Kinnerley has a good assortment of amenities including church, pub, shop and primary school.

Guide Price: £177,500

3016



Four Crosses, Llanyrnymech

A large detached modern property, set in easily maintained gardens, offering spacious accommodation comprising: large through entrance hall, sitting room, large conservatory, dining room, eat in kitchen, utility room, downstairs WC, three double bedrooms, en-suite bathroom and family bathroom with separate shower. Oil CH, open fronted carport and easily positioned for local amenities and the towns of Shrewsbury, Oswestry and Welshpool.

Guide Price: £189,950

2768



Foxen Manor, Four Crosses

An extremely spacious semi detached property offering affordable family accommodation comprising: entrance porch, sitting room, dining room, conservatory, kitchen/breakfast room, good sized utility with cloak, master bedroom with en-suite shower room, three further good size bedrooms, family bathroom. Night storage heating, DG - some of which is wood effect PVC, small integral garage, and private enclosed gardens to rear.

Guide Price: £176,000

2643



Lilac Grove, Oswestry

A well appointed and hugely extended, end of terrace house, uPVC DG, gas CH, and very large rear garden. It occupies a pleasant and very convenient position within short distance local amenities. The accommodation must be viewed to appreciate the size of this property; hall, large through living room, separate snug/family room, large L-shaped kitchen/dining room, three double bedrooms, en-suite shower room, family bathroom and a separate WC.

Guide Price: £145,000

2941



Breidden View, Llandrinio

A deceptively spacious mid terrace cottage, having oil CH, mainly uPVC DG, garage and very large rear garden. Entrance hall, living room, dining room, kitchen, utility room, landing, three good sized bedrooms, and family bathroom. The property occupies a very convenient road side position in the centre of this popular village having a range of amenities, and being about 11 miles from Shrewsbury, Welshpool and Oswestry.

Guide Price: £143,000

2747



Roundwood Close, Oswestry

A spacious extended semi-detached property offering affordable four bedroom accommodation, with gas CH wood framed DG, and ample private off street parking. Entrance hall, sitting room/dining room, kitchen, good size utility room, timber and brick constructed conservatory, landing, four bedrooms, and family bathroom. It occupies a quiet end of cul-de-sac position with enclosed gardens to the rear with small greenhouse.

Guide Price: £139,500

2985



Four Crosses, Llanyrnymech

An attractive semi-detached country cottage, in need of complete modernisation and renovation, and having very good size rear garden. Living room, dining room, kitchen, inner hallway, landing, two bedrooms, and bathroom. Occupying a road-side position in the village of Four Crosses having a range of local amenities, and being easily accessible for Welshpool, Oswestry and Shrewsbury.

Guide Price: £75,000

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Tregarthen Lane, Pant



A most spacious and well appointed split level detached residence which enjoys delightful views over the Shropshire plain and accommodation to comprise: Reception Hall, Three Ground Floor Bedrooms (Guest Bedroom Ensuite) and Family Bathroom, First Floor Landing, Cloakroom, Spacious L shaped Family Room/Kitchen/Breakfast Room, Balcony, Dining Room, Living Room, Master Bedroom with Ensuite and Walk-In Wardrobe, Study/Bedroom 5, Oil Fired Central Heating, PVC Double Glazing, Elevated driveway providing extensive parking, Double Garage, Most attractively landscaped gardens. NO CHAIN. Offers in the Region of £360,000

Hammonds Place, Gobowen



••INVESTMENT OPPORTUNITY•• Enjoying a generous corner plot position a 3 bedroom end terraced dwelling house which offers scope for improvement and briefly comprises: Porch, Entrance Hall, Lounge with open fire, Dining Room, Kitchen, Side Porch, First Floor Landing, Three Bedrooms, Wet Room, Gas Fired Central Heating, Gardens to front, side and rear, outside store, parking and garage. Agents Note: Bedrooms 2 & 3 were previously 1 large bedroom. NO CHAIN. Offers in the Region of £79,950



Pool Quay, Welshpool

Enjoying a delightful rural situation a well appointed 3 bed character attached barn conversion which was tastefully completed during 2003. The property offers a wealth of character features and enjoys views over the adjoining countryside with well planned accommodation. The attached barn for conversion is also available to purchase, please ask a member of staff for further details. Viewing fully recommended by the owners agents. Price Guide £270,000



Bronygarth, Nr Oswestry

••WITH VIEWS TOWARDS CHIRK CASTLE•• Richmond Harvey Properties are pleased to release this tastefully refurbished 2/3 bedroom detached country cottage (Former Toll Cottage and Post Office/Village Stores) dating back to Georgian times when it was originally two cottages. The Old Gate House enjoys a delightful situation with surrounding countryside views and briefly comprises: Living Room with feature fireplace and multi fuel stove, Spacious Dining Room, Sitting Room/Ground Floor Bedroom 3, Kitchen, Utility, Ground Floor Bathroom, First Floor Landing, Two Double Bedrooms, Oil Fired Central Heating, Driveway providing ample off-road parking, Elevated Gardens. NO CHAIN. Early Viewing Recommended. Offers in Region Of £254,950



Lloyd Street, Oswestry

••EXCEPTIONALLY SPACIOUS ACCOMMODATION•• Richmond Harvey Properties are pleased to release this most descriptively spacious 3 bedroom period town house to the market which enjoys a convenient location for local town centre amenities. The property briefly comprises: Entrance Vestibule, Entrance Hall, Living Room, Sitting Room, Ground Floor WC, Dining Room, Lane To Garden Room, First Floor Landing, Three Bedrooms, Bathroom, Gas Fired Central Heating, Double Glazing when raised. Garden to rear with Summer House including the Old, Oak Shed and Pergola. Offers in the Region Of £126,995



Tregarthen Lane, Pant

Impressive 4/5 bedroom detached period residence which comprises: High Spec Fitted Kitchen which has been designed to provide a light and airy room opening into a lovely snug room with log burner and dining room, Living room and sitting room which retain the character and charm of the original property. Further reception room/office, Ground Floor Bedroom and Shower Room, Master Bedroom with Dressing Area and Ensuite, Three Further Bedrooms and Laundry Family Bathroom, Driveway, Tarmac Drive and Oil, Double Garage. Price Guide £545,000



Weaver Close, Oswestry

3 bed 3 storey modern town house which briefly comprises: Reception Hall, Study/Playroom, Cloakroom, Kitchen/Dining Room, Utility, First Floor Landing, Living Room, Bathroom and Bedroom Three, Second Floor Landing, Master Bedroom, Shower Room and Bedroom Two, Gas Fired Central Heating, Double Glazing, Off Street Parking, Garage, Gardens to front and rear. NO CHAIN. VIEWING HIGHLY RECOMMENDED. Offers in the region of £165,000



The Meadows, Gobowen

••BENEFITTING FROM RECENT REFURBISHMENT•• A two bed det bungalow which benefits from a spacious living room with multi fuel stove, study/dining room and a useful side lobby. Enjoying a pleasant cul-de-sac location and conveniently placed for local village amenities to include railway station. The property also comprises: Entrance Hall, Re-fitted Kitchen, Bathroom, Driveway providing ample off-street parking, carport and garage, Gardens front and rear. NO CHAIN. Offers in Region Of £152,000



Whitfield Close, Oswestry

••IMMACULATE & TASTEFULLY IMPROVED•• A most well appointed two bedroom semi detached house which enjoys a pleasant cul-de-sac location within this popular residential locality. The property benefits from excellent order throughout and includes a re-fitted kitchen and larger than average single garage. MUST BE SEEN. Offers in Region of £124,995



Sweeney Drive, Morda

A modern 4 bedroom detached family house which enjoys a pleasant cul-de-sac location within this popular development and benefits from two reception rooms, an attractive kitchen, utility and WC, master bedroom ensuite, three further bedrooms and family bathroom. Neatly landscaped gardens, driveway providing ample off-street parking and garage. Gas Fired Central Heating, Double Glazing. TRULY A MUST SEE PROPERTY! Offers in Region of £199,950



Sunnyside, Baschurch

The property is situated within the sought after village of Baschurch which offers local amenities such as a school, pub, and village shops. The property offers a wealth of character features. The accommodation briefly comprises: First Kitchen, Dining Room with inglenook fireplace, Living Room with inglenook fireplace, Bath Room, Ground Floor Cloakroom, 3 Bedrooms and Dressing Room, Bathroom. Driveway providing ample off-road parking, triple open fronted garage, garden and former stable building offering scope for conversion subject to the necessary consents. CASH OFFERS ONLY. Offers Over £249,950



Almond Avenue, Gobowen

••SPACIOUS TWO DOUBLE BEDROOM FIRST FLOOR FLAT•• Richmond Harvey Properties are delighted to release this extremely spacious two bedroom first floor flat to the market which is convenient for local village amenities including railway station. The property briefly comprises: Living Room with feature fireplace, Kitchen, Two Double Bedrooms, Re-Fitted Bathroom, PVC Double Glazing, Gas Fired Central Heating and Garden. AVAILABLE. £450PCM



St Annes Drive, Morda

••IMMACULATE PRESENTATION WITH CONSERVATORY AND DOUBLE GARAGE•• An immaculately presented four bedroom detached family house which enjoys a lovely corner plot position and benefits from an attached double garage and conservatory with attractive landscaped low maintenance gardens. The property also comprises: Reception Hall, Cloakroom, Living Room with feature fireplace, Dining Room, Breakfast Kitchen, Utility, First Floor Landing, Master Bedroom Ensuite, Family Bathroom, Gas Fired Central Heating, Double Glazing. TRULY A MUST SEE PROPERTY. Offers Based On £225,000



Balmoral Crescent, Oswestry

••TUCKED AWAY WITH IMMACULATE PRESENTATION•• Richmond Harvey Properties are delighted to introduce this most beautifully presented two bedroom modern semi detached house to the market which enjoys a private position and accommodation to briefly comprise: Entrance Hall, Lounge, Attractive Kitchen/Dining Room, First Floor Landing, Two Bedrooms, Re-Fitted Bathroom, Gas Central Heating, PVC Double Glazing, Driveway providing ample off-road parking, Garage and neatly landscaped gardens. MUST BE SEEN. Offers in the region of £124,950



Belle Vue, Morda

••PARKING TO FRONT AND REAR WITH LARGER THAN AVERAGE GARAGE AND SPACE FOR CARAVAN•• 3 bedroom semi detached house which briefly comprises: Porch, Entrance Hall, Cloakroom, Lounge with feature fireplace, Breakfast Kitchen, Conservatory, First Floor Landing, Three Bedrooms, Re-Fitted Bathroom, Gas Fired Central Heating, PVC Double Glazing, Driveway and off-road parking to front and rear, garage and low maintenance gardens. Viewing fully recommended. Offers in the region of £154,000



Hampton Road, Oswestry

••ENJOYING A PRIVATE & MOST SOUGHT AFTER RESIDENTIAL LOCALITY•• Tucked away enjoying a delightful private position Richmond Harvey Properties are proud to release this extremely spacious 5/6 bedroom detached former bungalow to the market which offers flexible accommodation and enjoys extensive landscaped gardens. The property offers scope for improvement and a unique opportunity to purchase a truly fabulous family home. No Chain. Early viewing recommended. Asking Price £379,950



Treflach, Nr Oswestry

4 bed det oak framed village residence which has been constructed to this exceptionally high specification to include Kerton Jones bespoke luxury fitted Kitchen, impressive Living Room with feature vaulted ceiling and exposed stone fireplace with two bespoke handmade staircases to upper floor level, oil fired central heating incorporating underfloor heating to ground floor level, double glazing, driveway providing ample off road parking, attached double garage with first floor office and garden. TRULY A MUST SEE PROPERTY. Price Guide £450,000



Mews Court, Oswestry

••SOUGHT AFTER LOCALITY•• A most delightful two bedroom semi cottage which has been tastefully improved by the present owners and briefly comprises: Entrance Hall, Living Room, Kitchen, First Floor Landing, Two Bedrooms, Bathroom, Partial Economy 7 Electric Storage Heating, PVC Double Glazing and Garden to rear. NO CHAIN. IDEAL FIRST TIME BUYER OR INVESTMENT OPPORTUNITY. Offers in Region of £134,950



Milars Field, Oswestry

A five bedroom executive detached house (Former Show-Homes) Entrance Hall, Cloakroom, Living Room, Dining Room, Fitted Kitchen, Utility, Master Bedroom with Dressing Area and En-Suite, Guest Bedroom with En-Suite, and three further bedrooms, Family Bathroom, Gas Fired CH, PVC DG, Double width driveway, Double Garage and Gardens. Offers in Region of £265,000



Y Ddol, Penybontfawr

3 bedroom detached bungalow, enjoying a pleasant cul-de-sac location and delightful countryside views to the rear elevation. The property briefly comprises: Entrance Hall, Cloakroom, Lounge, Kitchen/Dining Room, Utility, Master Bedroom Ensuite, Two Further Double Bedrooms, Family Bathroom, Attached Garage and Large Garden. Oil Fired Central Heating, Gas PVC Double Glazing, Facias and Soffits. Viewing Fully Recommended. NO CHAIN. Offers in Region of £207,000



Gittin Street, Oswestry

Richmond Harvey Properties are delighted to release this most comfortably appointed 3 bedroom and terraced town house to the market which is conveniently placed for local town centre amenities. The property briefly comprises: Entrance Hall, Living Room, Dining Room, Kitchen, First Floor Landing, Three Bedrooms, Bathroom, Gas Fired Central Heating and Gardens. AVAILABLE. NO DSS, PETS OR SMOKERS. £525 PCM



Ambleside Road, Oswestry

Richmond Harvey Properties are pleased to release this well positioned 3 bedroom detached bungalow to the rental market which enjoys a pleasant cul-de-sac location convenient for local amenities. The property has recently been refurbished internally and briefly comprises: Entrance Hall, Cloakroom, Spacious Lounge/Dining Room, Re-Fitted Kitchen, Inner Hall, Three Bedrooms, Bathroom, Gas Fired Central Heating, Driveway providing ample off-street parking and gardens. AVAILABLE. £600PCM



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A semi detached house, conveniently located for the main A483/A5 and also close to the amenities that Chirk provides. The accommodation provides living room, dining kitchen, three bedrooms, master en-suite and family bathroom. There is parking to the fore with garden to the rear.

£129,950

Llangadfan



A new build detached three bedroom bungalow on this select development. The property is fully double glazed, has oil fired central heating and has been finished to an excellent standard with contemporary kitchen and sanitary ware. There is ample driveway parking as this is a corner plot as well as an attached single garage and front, side and rear lawns and patio.

£192,000

Meifod



An extended and modernised stone cottage, providing spacious and comfortable family accommodation, comprising dining kitchen, utility, living room, study, ensuite master bedroom, three further bedrooms and family bathroom. The property is situated in a rural setting surrounded on all sides by private gardens with countryside views and benefits from oil fired central heating and double glazing throughout. There is eight acres of pasture land available by separate negotiation.

£345,000

Llansanffraid



A rare opportunity to purchase a rural smallholding with outbuildings, extending to approximately 2.5 acres or thereabouts. The period cottage requires some improvement and currently provides four bedrooms and two reception rooms. The cottage retains many original features including timbers and an impressive Inglenook fireplace. Viewing Highly Recommended.

£325,000

Llansanffraid



A new build home situated within walking distance of village amenities, comprising: breakfast kitchen, three reception rooms, conservatory, guests and master bedroom suites, three further bedrooms, family bathroom, detached double garage and rear garden.

£330,000

Gledrid



An end of terrace cottage within walking distance of the Canal, renovated to a high standard comprising: dining kitchen, spacious sitting room, three bedrooms, bathroom, off street parking and a side garden.

£159,950

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Trevor RdLOT 1 Guide Price
Over £150,000

- 3 bedroom detached cottage in needs scheme of modernisation potential to create a unique family home
- Elevated position adjacent to the Llangollen Branch of the Shropshire Union Canal
- Views over Dee Valley

LLANGOLLEN
GarthLOT 2 Guide Price
£120,000 to £130,000

- Attractive detached 2/3 Bedroom cottage offers character and splendid views across the valley
- Two reception
- Kitchen at ground floor
- First floor bathroom
- Two bedrooms & a box room

LLANGOLLEN
Hall StreetLOT 3 Guide Price
Over £70,000

- Offers an ideal opportunity for local developers having received planning permission for change of use to 2 dwellings. Alternatively the property could be converted into a single dwelling or it could be adapted to accommodate further alternative commercial uses.

OSWESTRY
Llanfhaeadr Ym MochnantLOT 4 Guide Price
Over £190,000

- Detached House facing SW
- Extensive range of outbuildings
- Grounds and pastureland extending to near 1/2 Acres
- 2 miles from Llanfhaeadr
- Elevated position
- Sweeping driveway
- Ideal for further improvement

WREXHAM
GwersylltLOT 5 Guide Price
Over £100,000 to £110,000

- 3 bedroom detached bungalow
- Level gardens with parking and garage having double-glazing to all windows
- Oil-fired central heating
- Situated within 1/2 mile of a wide range of amenities
- Wrexham town centre lies approximately two miles away

WEM
Whitchurch RoadLOT 6 Guide Price
Over £90,000

- Spacious detached 2 bedroom bungalow
- Property is in need of some modernisation works
- Set within good sized gardens
- Should be of interest to Builders/Developers as well as individuals wishing to create a family home.

WREXHAM
CosdpoethLOT 7 Guide Price
Over £80,000

- Stone built semi-detached village property with living room, kitchen, bathroom and bedroom
- The accommodation has planning permission for works of a two storey extension including the provision of a car port
- Has double-glazing & gas CH
- Parking space and garden.

WREXHAM
RhosensiLOT 8 Guide Price
£90,000

- Investment opportunity
- Ground floor flat comprising central entrance, hallway, lounge, kitchen with modern units, 2 bedrooms + shower in
- Currently let on an Assured Shorthold Tenancy
- Conveniently located for the town centre of Wrexham
- Communal gardens.

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ON VIEW



Ascot Road
Oswestry £143,950

- A well positioned & most comfortably appointed Semi-Detached House
- Situated within a popular area convenient to all facilities in the Town
- In superb order throughout Entrance Hall, Sitting Room with bay
- Kitchen/Breakfast Room, Sun Conservatory, Three Excellent Bedrooms
- Family Bathroom. Double Glazing, gas fired central heating
- Delightful gardens to fore and rear, parking for several cars



Henley Close
Oswestry £124,950

- A well positioned and most comfortably appointed Mid-Terraced House
- Situated within a popular area convenient to all facilities in the Town
- Entrance Hall, Cloakroom, Sitting Room/Breakfast Room, Kitchen
- Two Excellent Bedrooms, Family Bathroom. Double glazing
- Gas C/H, delightful enclosed gardens to rear, parking for several cars



SEPARATE ANNEX

Pant-Glas
Oswestry

£320,000

- Located in delightful surrounding of Pant Glas (meaning Green Hollow)
- The sale offers a superb opportunity to acquire a lovely family home
- Having been carefully and sympathetically restored throughout
- The dwelling itself is set within two thirds of an acre of gardens
- Three bedroomed accommodation together with a separate annex
- Rarely available in this location

NEW
Broomhall Lane
Oswestry

£475,000



- An Executive Detached Family Home situated on a small private development on the outskirts of Oswestry
- Entrance Hall, Cloaks, Kitchen/Breakfast Room, Utility, Living Room
- Dining Rm, Master Bedroom with En-Suite Shower Rm, Dressing Rm
- Bedrm 2 with En-Suite Bathrm, Bedroom 3 with En-Suite Shower Rm
- Bedrm 4, Family Bathrm, Bedrm 5/currently used as secondary Living Rm
- Bedroom 6/currently used as an Office. Oil C/H. Solar Panels
- Integrated Double Garage. Superb south facing open countryside views

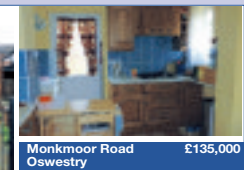


NEW PRICE - NO CHAIN

Haimwood
Llandrinio

£299,950

- A most delightful and generous Detached Country Cottage
- With Annex, Barn & Outbuildings. With approx 2.75 Acres
- Large Sitting Rm, Kitchen/Dining Rm with multi stove, Sun Rm
- 2 Beds, Family Bathroom. Fishing rights on the River Severn
- Underfloor heating to the Sitting Room & Kitchen/Dining Room
- Mature gardens & grounds approached over a gravelled driveway
- NO CHAIN



Monkmoor Road
Oswestry £135,000

- A well positioned & comfortably appointed spacious Semi-Detached Bungalow
- Situated in a popular location convenient to the Town
- Entrance Hall, Sitting Room, Kitchen/Breakfast Room, Conservatory
- Two Excellent Bedrooms, Family Bathroom. Double glazing
- Gas fired central heating, easily maintained gardens, Garage



Meadowbrook
Gobowen £92,500

- A very comfortable and spacious leasehold bungalow
- Hall, Living/Dining Room, Conservatory, Kitchen with appliances
- Two Excellent Bedrooms, Easy access Bathroom, Separate WC
- Double glazing, electric central heating, charming courtyard garden
- 24 hour audio call system for medical assistance or emergency
- Ready for immediate occupation



NEW BUILD

Croeswylan Lane
Oswestry

£350,000

- A Brand New Individual and Spacious Detached Dormer Bungalow
- Oak Framed Entrance Porch, Wide Entrance Hall, Cloakroom
- Sitting Rm, Sunrm, Generously Fitted Kitchen/Dining Rm with Appliances
- Utility/Rear Lobby, G.F. Guest Bedroom, 2 En-Suite Shower Rms
- Luxury Family Bathroom. Gas C/H with underfloor to the ground level
- D/G. Security system. Double Garage, open playing fields to the rear
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WESTON LULLINGFIELDS



Occupying a lovely position with views towards the Shropshire Countryside a spacious 3 bedroom detached bungalow which occupies a prominent position, a full interior viewing is recommended. Reception hall, living room, dining room, Breakfast kitchen, utility, cloakroom/w.c., family bathroom, delightful gardens with open farmland to the rear. Off road parking.

£315,000

CREW GREEN



A well presented 3 bedroom cottage style detached house located in a small cul de sac position situated midway between Shrewsbury and Oswestry. The property has two reception rooms, breakfast kitchen, cloaks/w.c., good sized bedrooms. Pleasant gardens, parking and Garage

£184,995

MORDA



Occupying a most pleasant position overlooking open fields. A 3 bedroom semi detached house needs to be viewed to be fully appreciated. Ent hall, Cloaks.w.c., Lounge, Sitting Room, Utility, Breakfast Kitchen, Bathroom. Good sized front and rear gardens with Detached Garage to the rear.

£176,500

Knockin Heath



A well presented 2 bed semi cottage. Situated in a most sought after location

Kitchen/dining room, Lounge, good sized gardens, 3 storage sheds

Off road parking for numerous vehicles

£199,950

MORDA



- A well presented, deceptively spacious
- 4 bed family house
- Ent hall, Cloaks W.C., kitchen/dining room
- Lounge with balcony, master bedroom with ensuite
- NO CHAIN

£167,500

GOBOWEN



A good sized 1930's semi detached house Briefly comprising, Ent hall, Cloaks w.c., Lounge, Dining Room, Pantry, Kitchen, Bathroom, Gas heating, pleasant gardens, Garage, off road parking

£154,950

OSWESTRY



Situated in one of Oswestry's most sought after locations and sits amongst extensive gardens. Having 4 bedrooms this detached family home needs to be viewed to be fully appreciated. Briefly comprising, Lounge, Dining Area, Conservatory, Kitchen, Utility, Sitting Room/Bedroom 3, shower Room, Family bathroom. Double Garage, ample parking for vehicles, caravan etc.

£375,000

LLANFECHAIN



A well presented 3 bedroom detached bungalow located in the popular village of Llanfechain. Situated in a quiet cul de sac position. The property needs to be viewed to be fully appreciated. Ent hall, Lounge, Breakfast kitchen, inner hall, master bedroom with shower room, bedroom two, bedroom 3/dining room, conservatory, bathroom. Garage and Gardens

£192,500

LLANMYNECH



A Grade II Listed two bedroom terraced house requiring some upgrade and modernisation. Located in the popular village of Llanymynech with good local amenities. Briefly comprising, Lounge, inner hall, kitchen, rear lobby, bathroom, cellar, two bedrooms, attic room, small rear enclosed yard with pleasant views.

£104,995

FOUR CROSSES



A well presented 3 bedroom detached house located on the fringe of this popular development in the village of Four Crosses. Briefly comprising, Ent Hall, cloaks.w.c., Lounge, kitchen/dining room, sun room, family bathroom, Garage and pleasant gardens.

£154,995

WESTON LULLINGFIELDS



Beautifully presented, part sandstone 4 bedroom property situated within delightful gardens and overlooking the open Shropshire Countryside. A short distance from the village of Baschurch which provides excellent schooling. Briefly comprising, Reception, dining room, living room, conservatory, kitchen, cloakroom/w.c., master bedroom with en-suite, family bathroom, double garage, delightful gardens, Planning Permission granted for a 2 storey extension NO CHAIN

£389,000

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4 DOUBLE BEDROOMS
4 RECEPTION ROOMS
ANNEXE WITH BATHROOM
OFFERS OVER £250,000



Oswestry **31 OAKHURST ROAD**
4 BED DET HOUSE
NEW BUILD
NO CHAIN
2 RECEPTION ROOMS
Offers Over £245,000



Selattyn **CHAPEL HOUSE**
CONVERTED CHAPEL
NO CHAIN
3 RECEPTION ROOMS
KITCHEN/ BREAKFAST ROOM
OIRO £239,950



Oswestry **16 CABIN LANE**
4 BED SEMI DET HOUSE
NO CHAIN
OPEN PLAN LIVING AREA
SEPARATE SITTING ROOM
OIRO £214,950



Oswestry **6 OSWALDS CLOSE**
3 BED DET HOUSE
2 RECEPTION ROOMS
SOUGHT AFTER LOCATION
DOUBLE GLAZING
OIRO £194,995



Oswestry **123 MIDDLETON ROAD**
3 BED DET DORMER BUNG
NO CHAIN
2 RECEPTION ROOMS
D/S SHOWER ROOM
OIRO £189,950



Oswestry **4 OSBOURNE CLOSE**
4 BED DET HOUSE
3 RECEPTION ROOMS
CUL DE SAC POSITION
D/G (WHERE STATED)
OIRO £184,950



Oswestry **36 HAMPTON FIELDS**
3 BED DET BUNGALOW
NO CHAIN
PROMINENT LOCATION
EN SUITE
OIRO £184,950



Pant **ARTS DELIGHT**
3 BED DET BUNGALOW
NO CHAIN
2 RECEPTION ROOMS
CONSERVATORY
OIRO £184,950



Oswestry **37 ROFT STREET**
4 BED TERRACE HOUSE
NO CHAIN
2 RECEPTION ROOMS
MOTIVATED SELLER
OFFERS OVER £179,950



Pant **ORCHARD VIEW**
2 BED DET BUNGALOW
NO CHAIN
2 RECEPTION ROOMS
CONSERVATORY
OIRO £172,500



Oswestry **37 OAK DRIVE**
3 BED SEMI DET HOUSE
3 RECEPTION ROOMS
KITCHEN/ UTILITY
OFF ROAD PARKING
OIRO £169,950



Ruyton XI Towns **MAPLE VILLA**
4 BED SEMI-DET HOUSE
NO CHAIN
VILLAGE LOCATION
2 RECEPTION ROOMS
OIRO £169,950



Oswestry **WESTDENE**
3 BED DETACHED HOUSE
NO CHAIN
PRICED TO SELL
OFF ROAD PARKING
OFFERS OVER £145,000



Oswestry **20 ASCOT ROAD**
3 BED SEMI DET HOUSE
CONSERVATORY
CONVENIENT LOCATION
GAS CENTRAL HEATING
OIRO £143,950



St Martins **80 COOPERS LANE**
3 BED SEMI-DET FAMILY HOME
LIVING ROOM/DINING AREA
SINGLE GARAGE
PVC DOUBLE GLAZING
OIRO £139,950



Oswestry **11 BRIDGEMAN ROAD**
3 BED SEMI DET HOUSE
KITCHEN/ DINER
CONSERVATORY
DOWNSTAIRS WC
OIRO £139,950



Oswestry **10 MILARS FIELD**
3 BED MEWS
NO CHAIN
KITCHEN/ DINER
DOWNSTAIRS WC
OIRO £139,950



Chirk **2 HAND TERRACE**
2 BED MID TERRACE
NO CHAIN
PERIOD FEATURES
KITCHEN/ DINER
OFFERS OVER £139,950



Oswestry **VYRNWY RISE**
2 BED DET BUNGALOW
NO CHAIN
OPEN PLAN LIVING
GAS CENTRAL HEATING
OIRO £134,950



Oswestry **59 LANGLAND ROAD**
3 BED END TERRACE
KITCHEN/ DINER
UTILITY ROOM
DOWNSTAIRS WC/ SHOWER ROOM
OFFERS OVER £124,950



Oswestry **30 HAZEL GROVE**
3 BED END TERRACE
KITCHEN/DINER
GARAGE
GAS CENTRAL HEATING
OIRO £123,950



Oswestry **29 PARK AVENUE**
3/4 DETACHED HOUSE
SOUGHT AFTER LOCATION
PERIOD FEATURES
NO CHAIN
OIRO £119,950



Oswestry **39 ASTON WAY**
2 BED SEMI DET HOUSE
NO CHAIN
KITCHEN/ DINER
GAS CENTRAL HEATING
OIRO £117,500



Oswestry **105 HAMMONDS PLACE**
2 BED END TERRACE
LIVING ROOM/ DINER
GAS CENTRAL HEATING
PVC DOUBLE GLAZING
OIRO £109,950



St Martins **KINVER COTTAGE**
2 BED SEMI DET HOUSE
NO CHAIN
VIEWINGS RECOMMENDED
OIL CENTRAL HEATING
Offers Over £99,950



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OFFERS OVER £82,500



Oswestry **22 BARBER CLOSE**
4 BED DET HOUSE
AVAILABLE MID APRIL
FULL TIME EMPLOYMENT
PETS CONSIDERED
PCM £700



Oswestry **6 MEADOW WAY**
3/4 DETACHED HOUSE
GAS CENTRAL HEATING
DOUBLE GLAZING
OFF ROAD PARKING
PCM £595



Gobowen **MAPLE COTTAGE**
3 BED DETACHED HOUSE
2 RECEPTION ROOM
DOWNSTAIRS WC
UNFURNISHED
PCM £595



Oswestry **10 MEADOW DRIVE**
2 BED SEMI DET HOUSE
AVAILABLE NOW
FULL TIME EMPLOYMENT
NO PETS
PCM £480



Oswestry **60 ABRAHAM COURT**
1/2 BED 2ND FLOOR RETIREMENT APARTMENT
SECURITY DOOR & LIFT
GUEST ACCOMM AVAILABLE
RENT INCLUDES SERVICE CHARGE & WATER RATES
PCM £470



Oswestry **3 EDEN STREET**
1/2 BED TERRACE
TOWN CENTRE LOCATION
THREE STOREY
PERIOD FEATURES
PCM £450



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- 2 Receptions, kitchen and utility
- Gas c/heating & double glazing
- Master en-suite, Fam bathroom
- Enclosed landscaped rear gardens
- Integral single garage



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£199,950

29 Regent Court, Oswestry
£110,000

- Second Floor Apartment
- Overlooking the town centre
- Master Bedroom with en-suite bathroom
- Separate shower room and W.C
- Fitted kitchen with appliances
- On-site secretary

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23 Delfan, Pant, Oswestry



- An Individual Detached Property
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- Oil-fired C/H & hardwood D/G, Kitchen
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- Attractive triple aspect lounge, Utility
- Substantial paved patio adjoining rear



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£325,000

Delfryn, Geuffordd, Guilsfield
£239,950

- Det Bungalow in Semi-Rural Location
- Sitting Room with woodburner. Kitchen
- 3 Bedrooms, Bathroom
- Oil and solid fuel heating. D/Grazed
- Veg Garden, lawn, further amenity area
- Purpose built Stable Block
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Bryn-y-Castell, Gobowen



- Substantial double fronted house
- 2 large receptions with feature fireplaces
- Fitted kitchen with solid-fuel Aga
- 4 Bedrooms, en-suite & fam bathroom
- Double glazing & gas central heating
- Close to the local village amenities



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£229,995

23 Cross Likey, Churchstoke
£120,000

- Mid Terrace House in village location
- Ent Hall, Lounge, Kitchen/Dining Room
- 3 Bedrooms, Bathroom
- Spacious accommodation. D/G, Oil C.H.
- Ample Parking. Rear Garden
- Good village amenities
- 10 miles Welshpool, 12 miles Newtown, 25 miles Shrewsbury

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- An impressive Georgian Residence
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- Useful Garaging & Workshop
- Enjoying uninterrupted views over the River Severn & surrounding countryside



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£520,000

7 Heulwen Way, Welshpool



- Modern Detached House
- Situated in cul-de-sac
- Lounge, Kitchen, Dining Area
- Utility, sep W.C, Gas C/H, D/G
- 3 Beds, En-suite, Fam Bathroom
- Off Road Parking. Single Garage
- Enclosed rear garden
- Convenient for amenities



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£185,000

Parc-y-Rhiw, Rhiewhiriath Llanfair Caereinion
£325,000

- Smallholding extended to 9.5 Acres
- 2 Receptions, Kitchen with Rayburn
- 3 Bedrooms, Bathroom, Gardens
- Requires modern refurbishment
- Ample outbuildings for livestock/storage
- Rural location with views

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Min Y Ddol, Bettws Cedewain, Nr Newtown



- Individually Designed Detached House
- Situated on the edge of the Village
- Views to the rear of open pasture land
- UPVC D/Grazed, Oil C.H., Woodburner
- Lounge, Kitchen/Diner, Utility, Sep WC
- 4 Bedrooms, En Suite & Fam Bathroom
- Integral Garage, Front & Rear Lawn



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£255,000

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PROPERTIES OF THE WEEK



Substantial village home has lovely countryside views

Alderlea, Perry Bank, Hengoed, is set in a lovely semi-rural location in a cul-de-sac of four properties. This four-bedroom detached home features views over open countryside to the rear and comprises a dining kitchen with utility and cloakroom off, conservatory, dining room, lounge, master bedroom ensuite, three further bedrooms, bathroom, gardens, garage, parking, oil-fired central heating and double glazing. Agents Halls are seeking offers around £244,950.

For further information please contact Halls on 01691 670320 or visit www.hallsgb.com

Halls



Improved semi for sale with no upward chain

Offers in the region of £124,950 are invited for 3 Crogen, Chirk, which is on the market with no upward chain. This three-bedroom semi-detached house includes a kitchen/diner, gas-fired central heating, PVC double glazing and off-road parking.

To the side of the property is an outside security light. There is also access to the detached garage and a pathway which leads to the enclosed rear garden.

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Smartly presented bungalow backs on to open fields

An attractive detached bungalow which backs on to open fields is on the market for £172,500. Number 23 Old Mopsis Way, Morda, comprises an entrance hall, two double bedrooms, modern shower room, lounge, kitchen/breakfast room and conservatory. There is a garage, double width driveway and well kept rear garden. Located on the outskirts of Morda on a small development, the property has all local amenities close at hand and is only half a mile from Oswestry town centre.

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Longwood, Groes-Lwyd, Welshpool, is on the market with a guide price of £278,000. The detached former chapel has been converted and extended to provide a spacious four/five bedroom house with parking and integral garage. Standing on the edge of the hamlet within easy walking distance of a convenience store and bus route, the home comprises an entrance hall, lounge, kitchen, living room, ground floor cloakroom, four fitted double bedrooms and bathroom. There are separate stairs to an office/bedroom 5 over the garage with utility area.

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Two-bedroom dwelling has been tastefully modernised

An immaculately presented semi-detached bungalow, 28 Offa, Lodgevale Park, Chirk, has lovely views to the rear and is priced at offers around £137,500. The property has been updated by the current owners to provide a lovely home. Warmed by gas-fired central heating and benefiting from double glazing and cavity wall insulation, the accommodation comprises a reception hall, lounge, conservatory, kitchen, two double bedrooms, garage, gardens and parking.

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LETTINGS

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Oswestry, 1 & 2 Bed Apartments from	£375 p.c.m.
West Felton, 1 Bed Det Bungalow	£400 p.c.m.
Oswestry, 3 Bedroom Maisonette	£450 p.c.m.
Llansantffraid, 2 Bed Apartment	£460 p.c.m.
Glyn Ceiriog, 3 Bed End Terrace	£500 p.c.m.
Oswestry, 3 Bed Mid Terrace	£525 p.c.m.
Oswestry, 3 Bed Detached House	£550 p.c.m.
Llansantffraid, 2 Bed Detached Cottage	£550 p.c.m.
Glyn Ceiriog, 3 Bed Det Bungalow	£550 p.c.m.
Trefonen, 3 Bed Semi-Detached	£595 p.c.m.
Oswestry, 3 Bed Det Bungalow	£600 p.c.m.
Oswestry, 3 Bed Det Bungalow	£625 p.c.m.

CHIRK

NEW



- Building Plot
- Detailed PP Dormer Bungalow
- Three Bedrooms & Ensuite
- Off Road Parking
- Open Aspect to the Front
- Site Measures 13m x 23m

£56,000

LLANSANTFFRAID

NEW



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- Local Developer

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- Three Bedrooms
- Parking for 2 Vehicles
- Modern Kitchen
- Gas Central Heating

£114,950

OSWESTRY

NEW PRICE



- Semi-Detached Bungalow
- Two Bedrooms
- Views Over The Green
- Parking and Garage
- Good Sized Garden
- Viewing Recommended

£122,950

CHIRK BANK

NEW PRICE



- Semi-Detached House
- Three Bedrooms
- Quiet Secluded Position

£158,000



- Views over Open Country
- Off Road Parking
- Popular Location

MORTON

NEW



- Detached Property
- Set in Approx. 1.5 Acres
- Four Bedrooms
- Utility & Cloakroom
- Rural Hamlet Location
- In Need of Updating

£250,000

TREFONEN



- Modern Semi-Detached
- Three Bedrooms
- Well Appointed Kitchen
- Sought After Location
- Garage & Parking
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OSWESTRY



- Modern Detached House
- Three Bedrooms
- Conservatory & Utility
- Garage & Parking
- Gas Central Heating
- uPVC Double Glazing

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PENYBONTFAWR



- Large Semi-Detached House
- Three Double Bedrooms
- Three Reception Rooms
- Modern Kitchen & Bathroom
- Inglenook Fireplace
- Village Location

£173,500

GOBOWEN



- Modern Detached House
- Three Bedrooms
- Cul De Sac Location
- Well Maintained
- Extended to the Rear
- Gas C.H. & D. Glazing

£179,950


ST MARTINS

NEW



- Detached House
- Three Bedrooms
- Good Sized Garden

£175,000



- Views Over Fields
- Parking & Garage
- Two Reception Rooms

GOBOWEN



- Detached Bungalow
- Two Double Bedrooms
- Large Conservatory
- Attractive Gardens
- Garage & Parking
- Cul de Sac Location

£179,950


OSWESTRY



- Detached bungalow
- Three bedrooms, Garage
- Lounge/dining room Gardens to front and rear
- Quiet cul-de-sac location
- Viewing essential. No chain

£184,950

ARDDLEEN



- Four Bedroom Detached
- Double Garage
- Ensuite & Cloakroom
- Good Sized Gardens
- Popular Village Location

£185,000

GOBOWEN



- Semi-Detached Bungalow
- Three Bedrooms
- Grage & Utility
- Cul de sac Location
- Gas Central Heating
- uPVC Double Glazing

£185,000

PORTHYWAEN



- Detached Cottage
- Three Bedrooms
- Good Sized Gardens
- Garage & Parking
- Rural Location
- Conservatory

£189,950

PONTFADOG



- Detached Bungalow
- Extensive Gardens
- Three Bedrooms
- Sought After Location
- Off Road Parking
- Ensuite & Shower Room

£195,000

PANT



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- Set in Approx. 1/3rd Acre
- Two Bedrooms
- Garage & Parking
- Private Position
- In Need of Updating

£200,000

CHIRK



- Detached Period Property
- 4 Double Bedrooms
- 4 Reception Rooms
- Off Road Parking

£210,000

CHIRK



- Canalside Location
- World Heritage Site
- 2 Double Bedrooms
- Ensuite & Bathroom
- PP for Shop/Cafe
- Garden Overlooking Canal

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MAESBURY



- Detached Family House
- Three Double Bedrooms
- Oil C/H & Double Glazing
- Rural Hamlet Location
- Garage & Parking
- Cloakroom & Utility

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FOUR CROSSES



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- Four Double Bedrooms
- Two Ensuites & Bathroom
- Garage & Parking
- Landscaped Gardens
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- Four Bedrooms
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- Updating Required
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- Double Garage
- Good Sized Gardens
- Viewing Recommended

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- Private Position
- Large Conservatory
- Double Garage

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The beloved Wife of Roy, loving Mother of Jayne, Mother-in-law of Nick, dear Grandma of Adrian and Jen and Great-Grandma of Oliver and Charlotte.

Funeral Service at Emstrey Crematorium, Shrewsbury, on Thursday, March 29, at 1pm.

Family flowers only by request please but donations for the Severn Hospice (Telford) are being gratefully received, for which purpose a collection box will be provided at the Crematorium.

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X

Acknowledgements**JONES**

Ellen

Tony and Carol would like to thank everyone that attended the Service to say goodbye to Mum, for the many cards and letters and for the support of Neighbours and her many Friends.

Sincere thanks to Marie, the flowers were perfect, to Elizabeth, for a most fitting personal tribute, to Laura, for leading the Service, to Mary, for playing the organ, to Glenys, for many things including the Bell Ringers and to Stuart, Chris, Richard and Steven for carrying Mum with such dignity.

To all the Staff, past and present, for the care they gave to Mum during her stay at Oldbury Grange and to Nett, Jean, Dave and the Staff at C.S.S.C.

Finally, thank you for your generous donations to The Lychgate Fund, totalling £1,595, to date.

**PERKINS**

Brian James

Ruby and Family wish to express their thanks to all Relatives and Neighbours for the cards and messages of sympathy on the sad loss of Brian.

Special thanks to Phil Niblock for conducting such a comforting Service, thanks also to Adrian Struve for his reading.

Donations of £375 were received for Hope House.

Thank you everyone.

NEWS**Pupils on air to raise charity cash**

HUNDREDS OF pounds was raised for charity when Shropshire school pupils became DJs for the day.

Heart FM visited Oswestry's Marches School to hold radio presenting workshops as part of the radio group's Have a Heart Appeal week and £692 was raised for Childline.

Although the workshops were not broadcast live, a recording of the day was taken by Heart FM and can be found on YouTube.

Operating out of the school library,

the mobile studio tour provided students with the opportunity to take on important roles within a radio station.

Students became presenters, news researchers and weather reporters, whilst others performed songs in a 'live lounge' setting.

Throughout the day, the Heart FM team covered a multitude of topics including current national and international news stories, weather forecasts, school trips, the importance of learning Shakespeare in English,

careers and aspirations. Students were required to research stories, plan out interview questions, manage their time effectively and take part in interviews and debates in an 'on-air' type setting.

Students also got to meet Richard Straffon, Drive Time presenter on Heart FM 103.4, who spoke about his life as a radio presenter and provided them with some top tips.

He said: "It's been great to come along to The Marches School."

Worker jailed over theft of shop tools

by Graham Breeze

A TOOL hire employee who stole thousands of pounds of equipment to sell on eBay has been jailed.

Gareth Evan Jones, 37, of Aston Way in Oswestry, took £4,039 equipment including a power saw, diamond cutting disc and mower blade from Griffiths Hire Shop over three years between November 1 2008 and November 10 last year. He then sold them online under an account named



Gareth Evan Jones.

Mucky Pup Engineer, Shrewsbury Magistrates Court heard.

Jones, who had admitted a charge of theft of various plant, machinery and equipment valued at more than £4,000 at an earlier hearing, was jailed for 18 weeks.

The court heard Jones, who was a 'trusted member of staff' who had worked at the firm for 10 years, had taken the tools from the company's Wrexham store where he worked.

Suspicious

His activities were eventually exposed when one of the firm's directors Paul Griffith found the eBay account and became suspicious of Jones.

Mr John Barnett, prosecuting, said Mr Griffith had discovered the account in November last year.

He said: "He suspected a large proportion offered for sale had been stolen from the company. On November 9 he reported the matter to the police."

The court heard Jones was arrested and he admitted taking the items at an interview. When his house was searched £797 of tools were recovered.

Mrs Ceri Lewis, for Jones, said he accepted his behaviour was totally unacceptable and recognised the impact on his ex-colleagues.

She said he had suffered financial problems and had been facing the repossession of his house.

Mrs Diana Foster, chairman of the bench, said: "It was a sustained effort over a period of three years. You, Jones, were in breach of trust."

No order for costs was made.

Dragon flies to US

Stan Jankowski with the weather vane.

A FOUR FOOT Welsh dragon flew to America last week because of a couple's love of the nationality.

Stan Jankowski from Lake Vyrnwy has spent weeks making a Welsh dragon weather vane, after a couple from North Carolina approached him.

The 59-year-old who runs Jankowski Weatherhaves, at Llanerfyl, said it had taken him three weeks to complete.

He said: "I have a business website and was approached some months back by a couple from North Carolina who wanted me to make them a Welsh dragon weather vane."

"I've never made one as big as this before - the arrow is four feet long and the dragon about two feet. The couple told me they wanted it because they just love the Welsh dragon and the Welsh culture and wanted it for their home."

"I've now started working on a three foot trout weather vane for a house in Somerset - I have a lot of strange requests but I've met some amazing people from doing what I do over the years."

Museum trip spotlight on wartime life

A GROUP OF Oswestry students learned more about what war is like when they visited Manchester's Imperial War Museum.

The year 9 and 10 pupils from the Marches School learned about all aspects of war and examined artefacts and war paraphernalia during their visit.

Presentations, slide shows and tours around the museum all provided students with a true insight into what life during a world war was like.

Pupils also had the opportunity to make a trip up the tall tower. Made up of 182 steps in total, once at the top youngsters enjoyed the view across Manchester and learnt a little more about war in the air.

Pupils took part in a workshop on the First World War. Students were required to examine objects and then present ideas on what these artefacts represented. Topics covered included Trench Life and Women at War.

Leader of council is latest to suffer heating oil theft

THIEVES stole £350 of heating oil from a domestic tank belonging to the leader of Shropshire Council - just weeks after his wife warned other residents in Oswestry to be vigilant against such raids.

Shropshire Councillor Joyce Barrow, wife of council leader Councillor Keith Barrow, said their home was just one of several in and around the village of Trefonen, near Oswestry, which have been targeted by the fuel thieves.

She urged residents to look at how they can upgrade security around their homes to deter the thieves.

Councillor Barrow said: "I am furious this has happened. There had been a spate of them a few months back and it was brought

up at one of our Oswestry Rural Parish Council meetings.

"I even went on Facebook recently warning people to be careful of these thefts in the Trefonen area. Now we have had our oil stolen."

"We had it filled on February 28 with £700 of oil but the other day I noticed the gauge was only half way up. I had a look and found that half of it had been stolen."

Police have issued advice on how to protect against heating oil thefts.

The advice includes checking oil levels frequently, arranging smaller but more frequent oil deliveries and installing automatic movement sensor security lighting around the tank.

Jail term for drunken man

A DRUNKEN man head-butted a police van and told a police constable 'it could have been you', a court has heard.

Matthew Rogers, 29, of Swan Lane in Oswestry, made the threat after being arrested in the town on August 30 last year.

He admitted a charge of resisting a constable in the execution of his duty when he appeared at Shrewsbury Magistrates Court yesterday. He was jailed for seven days, to be served concurrently with an eight month sentence he is already serving.



Richard
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School in plans to expand classroom

AN OSWESTRY pre-prep school has lodged plans to renovate its premises to make room for more pupils.

Bellan House School is seeking listed building consent from Shropshire Council for the work at its premises on Church Street.

The independent school is housed in a Grade II listed building and it wants permission to remove part of a wall to form a larger classroom.

A report accompanying the application said Bellan House was Oswestry School's pre-prep department for pupils aged five to 10. The report said: "There is a need to find accommodation in Bellan House for an additional year group, which is being moved from the senior school due to its expansion of pupil numbers."

"Accordingly, a classroom large enough to fit approximately 20 Year six pupils is needed."

A decision on the application is due by May 10.

Places available

PLACES ARE available at Oswestry Methodist Pre-School for children after Easter and in September. The Pre-School opens during term time between 9am and 3pm with an early drop-off available at 8.30am. More information is available from 07766328031.

DOWN YOUR STREET

with Ben Bentley

NEXT TIME Justin Morgan turns out on the paintball battlefield, rivals beware.

Justin, you see, has a secret weapon – he has built his very own tank.

"I used to be an avid paintballer but unfortunately I have developed a heart defect which means I can't gallivant around like I used to," says the 49-year-old carer who lives in Langland Road, Oswestry, where he looks after his disabled wife and disabled son.

"A mate of mine said why don't you get a golf buggy and bolt armour to it. Well, I'd be a sitting target, so I said if I am going to make a tank, I'm going to make a proper tank."

Secret

And so he has. Almost finished after two years of construction, Justin unveils his secret weapon, based on a World War II Mark IV Panzer, built on the chassis of a sit-down lawnmower with a body made from plywood, and completed in faithfully reconstructed camouflage.

"I like tanks!" he says, standing back to admire his handiwork. Come the summer he'll be in the tank trundling across the battlefield at the Outpost Paintball at Lower Kinerton near Wrexham.

"I can't wait to get it going," he continues. "I'm going to say, do you remember two years ago when you guys said why don't you build a tank..."

Justin will also take his 'armoured' vehicle to extreme paintball competitions. He takes part in themed events such as paintball Star Wars, Stargate and even Zombie Apocalypse, a sort of paint-



Justin Morgan has built a scale model of a Mark IV Panzer tank.



balling British Bulldog where players are progressively turned into zombies and the last man standing wins. Eek!

From a wild life to wildlife... I notice Langland Road is a bit of a haven for birds. A raven sits in the middle of the road and a pearly pigeon perches itself high on a lamppost to survey the scene.

If I was a bird, I'd certainly consider Langland Road as a place to live. Not least because over the road wildlife enthusiasts Danny and Gloria Hanrahan

are topping up supplies on their bird tables as spring starts to see the return of some familiar 'customers'.

"That's what we call them – customers," says Gloria, as Danny replenishes the table with seed. Their regulars include two pairs of doves, greenfinch, pigeons, 'some unusual birds we don't yet know the name of', and a blackbird with a white spot on its wing.

They are also quite pleased with the DIY work of the pigeons who, by way of



Danny and Gloria Hanrahan.



Terry Owen, of the Unicorn pub.



A view of Langland Road in Oswestry.

recompense for grub, clean out their guttering. "They suck the moss out of the guttering and it ends up down on the path here," explains Gloria.

Certainly Danny and Gloria, who are kept busy looking after their three grandchildren, are happy with life on Langland Road. They have lived here since 1968 and married for 51 years. "And my mother said it would never last," jokes Danny.

Terry Owen, the landlord of the Uni-

corn pub, which backs onto the street, says he is pretty happy too. And, with pubs facing hard times right now, you don't hear pub landlords say that very often these days.

It's been 15 months since he took on the pub and he has worked to make it more of a community-based hostel.

"A lot of people who had not been here in a couple of years have started coming back and have been pleasantly surprised," Terry said.

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Hopes of developer funded windfall

OSWESTRY could be in line for a major windfall with substantial sums of housing money to spend on vital improvements in and around the town over the coming years, the town's mayor has said.

A new Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) has been imposed on developers who now have to pay a set sum for every square metre of dwelling they build.

With the south east of Oswestry earmarked for up to 750 homes, Councillor Cynthia Hawksley said it would lead to funds to pour into projects for the good of the town.

Councillor Hawksley said the priorities for the town would be set out by the Oswestry Place Plan, one of 18 based around the market towns of Shropshire.

Ideas already mooted included road improvements and allotments.

She added: "During the next 12 months we wish to consult as widely as possible to ensure our infrastructure priorities are included for the future."

"We must recognise the significant expansion of Oswestry that is programmed for the south east and the potential large sums of external funds that this will generate. We need to ensure a holistic approach is taken to providing open space at developments."

Campaigners urge people to have say on developments

A RURAL campaign group has urged people to join in consultation over plans for hundreds of new homes in and around Oswestry.

The Campaign to Protect Rural England says a draft planning document produced by Shropshire Council holds the key to the future of villages and the countryside in the area.

The SAMdev document - Site Allocations and Management of Development - looks at the future planning for Oswestry, the community hubs of Gobowen, Kinnerley, Knockin, Llanyrnnech and Pant, Ruyton-XI-Towns, St Martins and Whittington and smaller, community clusters.

by Graham Breeze

Council posts for the young

IF YOU are aged between 15-25 and have a genuine care and concern for Welshpool you could become a councillor.

Last December, Owen Bass was appointed as a youth representative to the town council.

This has seen him work alongside the elected councillors who are now approaching the end of their term in office.

But the town council is able to appoint a second youth representative and is welcoming applications now.

Town clerk Robert Robinson explained: "Applicants must be aged between 15-25 years and live within the Welshpool Town Council area."

"They must be able to commit to two Wednesday evenings per month."

Those interested will be asked to make a two-minute presentation to the council on a chosen subject.

Applications can be made via the website www.wtcouncil.co.uk

It sets out preferred options for development, up to 2026, ranging from a proposal for 750 homes and for business land in eastern Oswestry to up to 15 homes in Knockin and the same number in Ruyton-XI-Towns. Consultation on the document, which suggests development sites, will run for the next three months.

Mike Bullen from Oswestry CPRE said: "It is so important that people look at the document and comment on it if they feel there should be changes. It is still at the draft stage and it is not too late to influence the future of the countryside."

Preferred

"This is our future and, while this document is the council's preferred option, it has to take account of opinions that come out of the consultation."

He criticised the emphasis on on-line consultation, with Shropshire Council asking people to use online questionnaires available at www.shropshire.gov.uk/samdev

A spokesman for Shropshire Council said the document was available on Shropshire Council's website and also at libraries and customer information points, at Shropshire Council offices and at parish and town council offices where possible.

If people cannot access these online questionnaires at home, they can use computers at their local library or call the council's customer service centre on 0345 678 9000.

Mark leads way at pre-school



Mark Nickless working with children, left to right, Ryan Clavin, three, Anya Smedley, three, Toby Jones, four, and Eve Duncalf, four.

AS BRITAIN debates the need for children to have male role models, one pre-school manager in Shropshire is leading the way.

Mark Nickless has become the manager of the Oswestry Methodist Church pre-school, after seven years as one of only a few men working in nurseries across the county. And he has helped to recruit one of the dads to volunteer at the pre-school.

He was promoted to manager after a year as a senior assistant and is now responsible for 40 children and five other members of staff. He said: "I always wanted to do this job. I worked with children in my work experience from school and then went to work at the Opportunities nursery in Shrewsbury."

"Having the role of manager means that as well as having a 'hands-on' role with the children I am also responsible for staffing and managing the nursery."

The pre-school has spaces available for children between the ages of two and five after Easter and in September.

Jousting attraction to draw in crowd

A JOUSTING and horseback stunt spectacular will launch a new adventure attraction on the Shropshire/Powys border on March 25.

The Jousting Show and Open Day will be held on Sunday at Four Crosses Adventure Centre on Domagay Road in Four Crosses, near Oswestry.

The Centre of Horseback Combat, the only dedicated centre for Horseback Archery and Jousting tuition in the UK, recently relocated to the Shropshire border.

Mark Johannsen from the centre, which also offers a variety of motor sports, shooting and Canadian canoeing, said: "Members of the public, riders and non-riders alike, can learn the thrill of galloping horses and adrenaline in these exciting sports on horseback."

"The sport of Horseback Archery is real and competitive. The UK does not have a historical tradition of horseback archery, but most other countries do - in Eastern countries such as Korea and Japan whole stadia are devoted to the sport and we hope to host international matches here at Four Crosses."

Tickets for the event cost £5 or £2.50 for under-12s with under fives admitted free of charge. The doors will open at 3pm.

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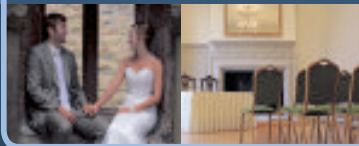
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Events to promote chance of tourism

A PROGRAMME to help businesses on both sides of the Shropshire/Mid Wales border make the most of tourism opportunities from mountain biking has been launched.

Free events are being organised by the European Regional Development Fund through the Welsh Government to let businesses know how they can capitalise on the sport.

The programme includes information about up and coming developments, benefits to tourism businesses, examples of what works from elsewhere and developing transport links to businesses.

One of the information events was due to be held today (Thursday) at Llan-gollen near Oswestry at the town's pavilion.

Guest speaker Graeme McLean, project manager with Developing Mountain Biking in Scotland, was due to share his experience about what works and where the sector is going to in the future.

A free guide, Mountain Biking Tourism in Wales – is your business up to gear, is also now available.

The mountain biking sector is worth more than £24 million pounds to Wales every year, the Government has claimed.

Call Helen Mrowiec on (01352) 810614.

Mary's zest for life remains just as strong at age of 101

SHE IS ONE of Shropshire's oldest citizens. But 101-year-old Mary Garside has an outlook on life that would shame many people half her age.

She has a zest for life that saw her try out a quad bike only last year, at the age of 100, and she carries herself with a poise and elegance that helps to make her look decades younger than her years.

Mrs Garside still lives independently at her home in Oswestry, although she is the first to thank her relatives, friends and neighbours, who visit regularly and ensure she wants for nothing.

She was born in Pant in 1911, the eldest of seven children. But she grew up in the rural area of Knockin.

One of her first memories was the ending of the first world war.

"My grandparents ran the village post office and were the only ones to have a telephone in the village. They were told the news that war had ended and I was sent out in the street to tell everyone. I ran out with my important job – and the streets were empty."

Scholarship

The determination which has been with Mrs Garside her whole life has been with her from a very early age.

At the age of 10 she won a scholarship to Oswestry Grammar School, a good seven miles away on country roads.

Yet, the young Mary was so keen to realise her dream of becoming a teacher she biked to and from school every day, in all weathers. Her perseverance paid off and she qualified as a teacher.

Her first teaching post was in one of the most deprived areas of the city of Liverpool.

"It was quite different from Shropshire," she said. "The children had a lot of troubles but I really enjoyed it."

In fact, when the second world war broke out she volunteered to help evacuate the children from her school – and others – to the countryside.

WOMEN OF SUBSTANCE

with Chrissy Symmons



After the war, she moved back to Shropshire and became a teacher at Bicton School near Shrewsbury. She lived in the schoolhouse with her husband, Norris.

She returned to the Oswestry area to teach at the National School in Welsh Walls, leaving when her two daughters were born but later returning to work.

She still takes a great interest in young people, whether her own five grandchildren and 12 great grandchildren or the youth of Oswestry in general. For her 100th birthday she donated almost £200 given in lieu of presents to Oswestry Youth Cafe and was given honorary membership.

Her zest for life means she is still a member of many of Oswestry's organisations, including Probud, the Townswomen's Guild and a local bowling club. She continued to drive until she was 94.

She said the biggest changes she had seen had been the introduction of television and changes in travel – now very different from the backpacking she did as a young woman.



Mary Garside celebrating her 101st birthday.

Plans are made for attractions at show

AN ARRAY of performers and entertainers has been booked for this year's Llanfechain Show.

Organisers say plans are already underway for the event, which will take place on August 27.

Kaleidoscope Theatre is returning again with its popular mime performances. New this year are Whalebone who will live everything up with their own particular style of rootsy, folksy, funky music.

Villager June Rowe said: "All the old favourites are still coming, including Jack Green the Jester and team with Rhythm Maker providing the beat and Close Encounters of the Feathered Kind."

"Look out for details of old favourites and new attractions as the date gets nearer."

"The competitions are still a vital part of the show and to give competitors a head start the craft, art and photography classes have already been decided."

"For the horticulturists now the weather is warming up, don't forget to plant your potato in a bucket for the most weight in a three gallon bucket."

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Footpath clean-up team is thanked

OFFENDERS working on Community Pay Back schemes have been thanked for helping give footpaths around Oswestry a spring clean.

Shropshire Council's streetscene team is working with the Probation Service's Community Pay Back team to clean up some overgrown footpaths in the Oswestry area.

Since January 2012, the Community Pay Back Team has cleared more than 200 metres of footpaths that were overgrown with weeds, dirt, litter and leaves.

The latest one to be restored is on Henlle Lane in Gobowen.

The council's highways team is also helping out by taking away the waste.

Councillor Martin Bennett, Shropshire Council's deputy cabinet member with responsibility for streetscene, said: "The Community Pay Back team have done a fantastic job clearing these paths ready for the warmer weather."

Trevor Davies, a Shropshire Councillor for Gobowen, Selattyn and Weston Rhyn, said: "I would like to thank the Pay Back team for a job well done."

"I hope we will work with them again next year."

The Community Pay Back team also cleans shop fronts in Oswestry for the Footfall Project once a month.

Stealthy approach pays off when birds appear in 'binos'

ON THE WILD SIDE
with
Ben Waddams



ISN'T it surprising what pops into view through one's binoculars?

Traditionally they are used by navigators of all modes, theatre goers and visitors to sporting events but just as one can get more enjoyment from Ladies' Day at Cheltenham Gold Cup with a pair of 'binos', so can the avid naturalist.

I always like to get as close to my subjects as I can, indeed, being a wildlife artist, it is very important to do so. But binoculars can help in your satisfaction of that particularly skittish animal or (more likely in my case) snatching the last glimpse of its backside as it gallops, lollops, sprints or otherwise wings its way away in the opposite direction to yourself.

There's a rather lovely sunken lane near my home, hemmed in on both sides by hawthorn and blackthorn. It twists and winds its way around the fields for a mile or so and I've discovered a wealth of wildlife along its course. However, you have to be sneaky.

Because you're forever suddenly appearing around bends, any creature in the lane ahead or in the hedges, immediately 'takes flight' at your presence. No, to stand any success, one must creep up to a corner, binoculars in hand and very slowly edge their way partially around the bend, scanning every foot of new ground as they do so.

Note: this method does not work if you're intention is to appear sane to anyone in the vicinity, or if you are a dog owner.

There was an occasion the other day when this technique appeared to work however and as I scanned the top of a recently bashed hedge (why DO people do that? Just think, every tree you see in a hedge is an old oak and that's because every other one has been slashed off just as they get into a



Reed bunting by Ben Waddams.

growing rhythm) a small, exquisitely patterned bird popped up and sat, very obligingly, for a few seconds until the aforementioned mutt burst onto the scene.

It was not unlike a female house sparrow and yet it exhibited a gorgeous dappled chestnut plumaged, literally capped off with a brown crown and a brilliant white moustache.

I must confess, as I'm still happily checking off individuals from my *Collins Complete British Birds*, I've never seen a reed bunting before, but it's fast becoming a favourite; sorry, a 'much admired' creature.

In the winter, the male and female look rather similar, but as we edge our way gingerly into spring, the male suddenly becomes bold, striking and strident in his call. Again, along

a similar length of hedgerow, I was yesterday rewarded with another reed bunting, but this time it was Him.

By the way, don't let the name confuse you. As my finger rested on 'reed bunting' in the handbook, I couldn't help but doubt my sighting.

There was not a reed in sight, nor was there one for several miles, but this, it turns out, does not matter. After all, who cares or even thinks about scientific nomenclature when they're staring at such a sight as a pair of reed buntings through their binoculars?

Ben's wildlife art can be seen at The Gallery Tearooms and the Art Framing Gallery, both in Shrewsbury.

College students on visit to force

A CLOSE UP look at the helicopter which polices Shropshire's skies and a demonstration of police firearms, Taser guns and baton guns was enjoyed by a group of college students.

The students from Walford and North Shropshire College in Oswestry learned more about the techniques used to keep Shropshire safe when they visited West Mercia Police's force headquarters at Hindlip Hall, Worcester.

The students, who are all studying an extended public services diploma, visited the firearms school at police HQ.

They learned about police firearms training, including the use of less lethal options such as the Taser and baton guns.

At this point the group received an unexpected bonus when the police helicopter from the Central Counties Air Operations Unit dropped in to the HQ.

As well as being able to take a close look over the helicopter they were given an impromptu talk about the work of this unit.

They visited the dog section and the Roads Policing Unit.

And the group visited the force control room and enjoyed a whistle stop tour of the forensics department where they watched fingerprint experts and laboratory staff at work.



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Alarm call to tackle blockage at culvert

CALLS HAVE been made for a traditional alarm to be brought back to warn residents in a town on the Shropshire Mid/Wales border when a culvert has become blocked.

The alarm for Abel Brook, which is piped under the town centre, has been replaced in recent years with an electronic version that alerts Powys County Council emergency staff.

But earlier this year businesses and homes found themselves under a foot of water after the culvert became blocked and the brook flooded.

Officials from Powys County Council were due to attend a meeting of Llanfyllin Town Council last night (Wednesday) to discuss an action plan for the brook. And some residents have called for the return of the old alarm.

Powys County Council's land drainage manager Graham Astley and local operations manager Keith Rowe were due to attend.

Other issues due to be discussed included the Queen's Diamond Jubilee.

Easter bingo

THE FRIENDS of Llanfair Caeirin Primary School will be holding a fundraising Easter bingo on March 29 in the school hall at 6.30pm.

Two-mayor town managed to avert threat of civil war

by Toby Neal

YOU'LL HAVE heard about John 'Two Jags' Prescott, the nickname bestowed, much to his irritation, on the former deputy prime minister.

But have you heard about 'Two Mayors' Oswestry?

Until only a short while ago with the advent of the new Shropshire Council, Oswestry was in the rare and unusual position of having two mayors.

And if you think that it might have led to any rivalry or confusion, you should perish the thought. As if!

A dip into our cuttings archive reveals how it all came about.

"Oswestry will find itself in the unique position next April of having two mayors," it was reported on October 30, 1973.

"The Queen has granted the new district council its charter. The authority will be called the Council for the Borough of Oswestry and its chairman and vice-chairman will be known as mayor and deputy mayor. The existing rural borough council next year becomes a town council and it too is entitled to call its chairman 'mayor'."

Councils

The move created the conditions for a sort of civil war in Oswestry between the embryonic new district council, and the old stagers from the borough council. At one point the two councils were refusing to talk to each other about the issue.

Who had the right to have the 'real' mayor? How would they stand in respective statures?



From left Shrewsbury Mayor Reg Jones, Oswestry Borough Mayor Owen Jones and Oswestry Town Mayor Gareth Jones.

One rural councillor, Councillor T.M. Francis, said people thought it would be an 'absolute farce' to have two mayors in the town. He thought it would only last six months before people realised it was not in the borough's best interests.

The mayor in office in 1973, Councillor John Cassin, said: "It will be confusing, and this is something that has got to be sorted out between the mayors."

Meanwhile, on the new district council, there were also reservations. Councillor



Momentous events in Oswestry were just around the corner when this picture was taken of the 1972 mayor making. Councillor John Cassin is receiving the chain of office from outgoing mayor Mrs Kathleen Roberts, with town clerk Ron Peart looking on.

Peter Johnson said there had been a borough council mayor for 300 years and the move to have one for the new district council would create a 'pantomime mayor'.

Anyway, it all came about and Oswestry got two mayors.

"There was always a bit of rivalry," one Oswestry local government observer tells me.

"A lot of the town mayors have been borough mayor, and vice versa – they would be town mayor one year, and five or six years

down the line would be borough mayor. Town people got very irate and said that theirs was the proper mayor. One year we had two Joneses – Owen Jones was the borough mayor, and Gareth Jones was the town mayor."

During their year the two Joneses pledged to work together and heal the rift with the councils, calling for an end to the bickering.

Now some sort of normalcy has been restored, with Oswestry back to just one mayor.

Scheme seeking sporty helpers

SPORTS BOSSES in Oswestry are urging people to get involved in a new programme to recruit community volunteers.

The Sport Makers scheme aims to make it easy for people to help make sport happen in their area whether it is helping out at their local club, setting up sport in their local community or helping out at events.

Susie Hancock, secretary of Oswestry and District Sports Council, said: "Sport Makers is fully inclusive and is aiming to use the inspirational pull of the London 2012 Olympic and Paralympic Games in order to attract people like you to become a major part of the Games legacy."

"Find out more about Sport Makers and be part of the London 2012 legacy with a special Knowledge and Nosh session at Lord Hill Hotel, Abbey Foregate, Shrewsbury on April 19 from 8.30am to 10.30am." Contact (01743) 237877.

Dance film debut

STUDENTS FROM Rhyn Park School could see a film of their dance moves shown on screens across the UK. Dancers from Encompass Project held a workshop at the school on Friday with performing arts students.



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Ensemble is marking its anniversary with concerts

by Graham Breeze

BRITAIN'S longest running chamber music ensemble will celebrate 40 years of hosting a Welsh border festival this summer.

The Allegri string quartet, formed in 1953 by violinist Eli Goren and cellist, William Pleeth, has been playing to audiences in St Myllin's Church since 1972 after then member Bruno Schrecker, bought a holiday home in Llanfyllin.

The early concerts he held grew into the Llanfyllin Festival.

This year there will be three chamber concerts at St Myllin's Church in Llanfyllin, on July 14, 20 and 22. They will feature works by Beethoven, Shostakovich, Anthony Payne, Hadyn, Mozart and Brahms.

The current members of the quartet are violinists Ofer Falk and Rafael Todes, Dorothy Vogel on viola and Vanessa Lucas-Smith on violoncello.

During the concert on July 22 the quartet will be joined by Stephanie Gonley, leader of the English Chamber Orchestra for two pieces for quintets.

Tickets for the concerts will be £15 and £14 concessions or £13 for early bird tickets. There will be a 10 per cent discount for those booking all three concerts.

Tickets will be available from wegoticket.ets.com, via a link from the festival website, from Llanfyllin Festival ticket sales, Farthings, Fox Lane, West Felton, Oswestry SY11 4JU, by telephone, or from Theatr Hafren in Newtown.

This year the festival will be hosting a pre-concert exhibition to coincide with the first of the Allegri concert performances in Llanfyllin on July 14.

Getting set for Godspell



IN rehearsals for Godspell at The Marches School and Technology College in Oswestry are Katie Smethurst, 14, as Sonia, front, with back left to right Leila Brown, 14, as Joanne and Molly Birch, 15, as Peggy.

Poetry treat for residents

POETRY AND prose was read to residents at a care home in Shropshire to help celebrate Oswestry's Festival of the Word.

Librarians visited Fairholme care home, in Morda Road, to hold readings of poems and short stories.

A dozen residents enjoyed listening to readings from Pam Ayres, Alan Bennett and Nigel Slater before sharing afternoon tea with

their guests from the town library. The event was organised by staff from Shropshire libraries as part of the Time to Listen programme.

Kath George, from Shropshire libraries, said: "It is so important for older people with limited eyesight or dementia to still have access to literature and one of the best ways to achieve this is to read to them."

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Tribute pair present folk duo's best hits

GIG GUIDE

with Chrissy Symmons



MRS ROBINSON, A Bridge Over Troubled Waters and I am a Rock are just some of the hits made famous by Simon and Garfunkel.

Tonight these tunes, made famous by the well-known group, will be sung by tribute group The Sounds of Simon when it arrives at The Ironworks in Oswestry.

The duo normally takes its act to large theatres with a full band but has decided to bring its Old Friends Duo Tour to the intimate surroundings of the town venue.

With an 8pm start the show will cover all the early classics as well as the seldom heard classics like A Poem on the Underground Wall and A Most Peculiar Man.

Ben Bowden, who plays Paul and has featured on BBC's The One Show, said: "We're really looking forward to bringing our new duo show to The Ironworks. It's a great venue."

During the night there will also be a short set of Ben and Steve's original material. Tickets cost £8 in advance or £10 on the door.

Tomorrow, Friday, Mike Holloway will be performing at Marton's Lowfield Inn, near Welshpool.

From 8.30pm the one man band will be bringing a range of tunes from soft



Ben Bowden and Steve Green appearing in Oswestry.

acoustic ballads to dance floor fillers. There will also be songs from Hendrix, The Stones, Beatles, Animals and Crowded House.

Also tomorrow at St John the Baptist Church in Whittington, near Oswestry, cellist James Barralet and pianist Simon Callaghan will be performing. The professional musicians will be playing a concert including solo pieces from Bach. The night costs £12 and for more information call (01691) 657986.

If pop music is what you are after then head on down to The Venue in Park Hall where a singer will be paying

tribute to Lady Gaga. Totally Gaga starts at 7.30pm and costs £10. Contact (01691) 684840.

On Saturday night Something Personal will be playing at the Cobbles Bistro Bar, in Oswestry, from 9pm.

Wednesday night sees four-piece The Velvet Dukes celebrating its new EP in Welshpool, with a special launch show at The Raven from 8pm, including a four course meal and two sets.

Tickets cost £25 each and are selling out fast.

If you would like to see your event in this guide e-mail chrissy.symmons@shropshirestar.co.uk

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Welshpool livestock market**Welshpool Livestock Sales
Store Cattle Auction
March 13**

An entry of 275 Store cattle met with an excellent trade once again, with the trade equally as good if not better than the end of the month for the cattle on offer. Bidding was brisk from the start to finish with buyers from Staffordshire, Cheshire and Shropshire, mixing it up with local Powys buyers to give an overall average of 218.46ppkg for the bullocks and 206.7ppkg for the heifers. Averages per head of £980.22 and £839.62 respectively. Leading the way in the top prices where:

Store Steers per kilo.
Limousinx (x4) 280kg
267.8ppkg from S C S Morris Gelli Lwyd.
Limousinx (x4) 405kg
259.3ppkg from G & A Orrells Maesderwen.

Belgian Blaux (x1) 475kg
256.8ppkg from I Evans & Son Hendreseifon.

Belgian Blaux (x1) 495kg
252.5ppkg from I Evans & Son Hendreseifon.

Limousinx (x1) 235kg
251.1ppkg from S C S Morris Gelli Lwyd.

Limousinx (x5) 413kg
249ppkg from G & A Orrells Maesderwen.

Store Heifers per kilo
Belgian Blaux (x1) 360kg
250ppkg from I Evans & Son Hendreseifon.

Charolaisx (x3) 396kg
247.5ppkg from SM & GD Jones Rhiwhiraeth.

Limousinx (x1) 430kg
232.6ppkg from I Evans & Son Hendreseifon.

Charolaisx (x1) 515kg
232ppkg from J L Morgans & Sons Tynmawr.

Limousinx (x1) 500kg
232ppkg from RP & SE Wilde Middle Sylfaen.

Limousinx (x2) 432kg
231ppkg from I Evans & Son Hendreseifon.

Store Steers per head
Herefords (x1) 700kg £1370

C & A Davies & Son Dwyrhiv Farm.

Limousinx (x1) 560kg £1370
I Evans & Son HEndreseifon.

Charolaisx (x1) 700kg £1285
AJ & JM Abberley Cerrigroes.

Store Heifers per head.
C & A Davies & Son Dwyrhiv Farm.

Blonde D'aquatinex (x1) 605kg £1270 RJT & GE Jones Penwtra.

Charolaisx (x1) 620kg £1255
AJ & JM Abberley Cerrigroes.

Store Heifers per head.
Limousinx (x1) 580kg £1195
C & A Davies & Son Dwyrhiv Farm.

Charolaisx (x1) 515kg £1195
J L Morgans & Sons Tynmawr.

Charolaisx (x2) 612kg £1160
AJ & JM Abberley Cerrigroes.

Limousinx (x1) 500kg £1160
RP & SE Wilde Middle Sylfaen.

Charolaisx (x2) 622kg £1145
AJ & JM Abberley Cerrigroes.

Charolaisx (x2) 557kg £1140
AJ & JM Abberley Cerrigroes.

Next Store Cattle Sale will take place at Welshpool on Tuesday 27th March, 10th April and 27th April 2012.

**WELSHPOOL LIVESTOCK SALES
March 19
OTMS (31)**

A seasonal entry of 31 over thirty month old cattle sold to an average of 134ppkg for the 25 cows, 106ppkg for the bull and 146ppkg and 160ppkg for the younger steers and heifers respectively. G Jones & Son Yr Ogo presented a Charolais cow weighing 823kg making a top price of £1135.74. EW & KE Benbow Ffrydd Farm sold a Limousin weighing 780kg and making £1115.40. A younger under 72months Limousin cow weighing 795kg from R B Jones Llwynobin achieved 31335.60. G Jones & Son Yr Ogo receives the Brairwood Products Ltd prize of £25 for the highest price older cow sold on the day. Weekly sale of 9am or Thirty Month older cattle at 9am prompt every Monday. From the 26th March will be holding a section for TB Tested animals. This will take place in ring 2 and will commence at 9am. If you require any further information regarding this section please contact the market on 01938 553438 or the Auctioneer Glandon Lewis on 07774 224999.

FAT CATTLE (21)
An entry of 21 fat cattle sold to average 192ppkg for the steers and 201ppkg for the heifers. G Bound & Son Cefn Bach presented two Limousin heifers to 230ppkg and 227ppkg and bought by M J Birtwistle & Co and Rikki Lloyd of Welshpool. EE & MJ Jones & Sons Cwmbychan sold two steers to 207ppkg and 183ppkg. Evans Brothers Tynmawr sold two steers to 214ppkg and 190ppkg and six heifers sold to average 199ppkg. G Bound & Son Cefn Bach receives the Briarwood Products Ltd Prize of £25 for the highest pkg animal sold on the day. Weekly sale of fat cattle every Monday at approximately 12.30pm. More Fat Cattle urgently required to meet a very strong demand from potential purchasers. If you have require any advise or wish to sell fat cattle at the market please contact the auctioneer Mr Glandon Lewis on 07774 224999 or the market office on 01938 553438.

PRIME HOGGETTS (4535)
An entry of 4535 prime hoggets, sold to average 212ppkg this week.

Super Lights (up to 25.4kg) (34) to 217ppkg from S Beadmond & Co Dolhafron. Average of 203ppkg.

Lights (25.5kg to 32kg) (202) to 223ppkg from S H Lloyd Penllan. Others to 221ppkg from D M Lloyd Y Dderwen. Average of 209ppkg.

Standards (32.1kg to 39kg) (562) to 256ppkg from W I Ellis Talwrn. Others to 242ppkg from R J Lunt Planfa. Average of 212ppkg.

Mediums (39.5kg to 45.5kg) (1621) to 247ppkg from H Williams Taldrym. Others to 237ppkg from GE & KM Langford Yr Maesydd. Average of 213ppkg.

Heavies (45.1kg to 52kg) (1239) to 213ppkg from M P B Ashton Belan Ddu. Others to 211ppkg from D M Jones Pwll. Average of 189ppkg.

Over Weights (over 52kg)

(746) to 185ppkg from J C Evans & Co Belan Newydd and F W Humphreys & Sons Brook House. Others to 181ppkg from A Gittins Tygwyn. Average of 166ppkg.

Weekly Sales of Fat Hoggets every Monday at 10.30am.

CULL EWE (1444)
Cull ewes sold to average £70.15 and a top price of £148 from J H H Jerman & Co Wernddu and E G Roberts Tan Yr Ywen. Cull rams averaged £81.38 and topped at £138 from D W Evans Glyn Y Rhodyn. Weekly sale of Cull sheep to immediately follow the sale of fat Hoggets at approximately noon.

STORE LAMBS & IN LAMB EWES
An entry of 210 Store Lambs entering the market this week selling to an average of £68.68. Texel ewe lambs sold to £81.20 with suffolk lambs from J W Davies & Sons Tynybrynau realising £79.20.

An increased entry of couples with entries expected to increase over the next couple of weeks. Speckled full mouth ewes with twin lambs at foot realised £106 while Texel Full mouth and as found ewes with twins from TL & PA Bennett Dolgaed Farm realised £185.

Texel three year old ewes with twin lambs at foot realised £200 and four old Charollais ewe with single lamb at foot from B L Griffiths Lower Penygelli realised £150.

Strong Suffolk yearling ewes from C Edwards Freehold Farm with twin lambs at foot realised £255. More Couples required next week to meet the strong demand.

An increased entry of 94 cado lambs selling to an average of £15.18. Top price of the day went to D R Owen & Sons Sandilands realising £28 for a strong Texelx lamb.

Forthcoming Sales
Monday 26th March, Sale of Dairy Cows.

Tuesday 27th March, March Fair of Store Cattle.

Monday 2nd April, Easter Spring Lamb Show and Sale.

Monday 9th April, Dairy Cows.

Tuesday 10th April, Mid April Fair of Organic and Conventional Store Cattle.

Monday 16th April, Cows and Calves.

Thursday 19th April, Pedigree Charolais Cattle Sale.

Monday 23rd April, Dairy Cows.

Tuesday 24th April, Store Cattle.

Monday 7th May, Prize sale of Couples, Dairy Cows and Cows and Calves.

Tuesday 8th May, Organic and Conventional Store Cattle.

Saturday 12th May, Machinery Sale at Coed Y Dinas.

Monday 14th May, Cows and Calves.

Thursday 17th May, Pedigree Limousin, Simmental, Saler & Charolais Cattle Sale.

Monday 21st May, Dairy Cows and Cows & Calves.

Monday 28th May, Cows and Calves.

Tuesday 29th May, Organic & Conventional Store Cattle.

Oswestry cattle auctions**OSWESTRY CATTLE AUCTIONS
March 14
FAT CATTLE: (50)**

A lot less cattle forward. Where have you all gone? More needed each week to satisfy demand. Top slots hit 222p for Heifers, 213p for Steers and 211p for Bulls. Highest price in the lump was £1335.00 for a steer. Bottom book was 150p for a plain Bull. Overall average was 187p.

Young Bulls (19) Overall Average 179p.

Light Bulls (1) Selling to 189p from C E Evans Lower Hendre.

Medium Bulls (14) Average 179p (£910/head) Selling to 211p from J H & S E Roberts & Sons Rolly Farm.

Heavy Bulls (4) Average 179p (£1020/head) Selling to 195p from J H & S E Roberts & Sons Rolly Farm.

Steers (11) Overall Average 182.5p.

Medium Steers (4) Average 185.5p (£1005/head) Selling to 197p from J T Evans Pentre Farm.

Heavy Steers (7) Average 182p (£1105/head) Selling to 197p from D L & J E Lewis Dolmelinau.

Heifers (20) Overall Average 197p.

Medium Heifers (3) Average 208.5p (£965/head) Selling to 215p from J H & S E Roberts & Sons Rolly Farm.

Heavy Heifers (17) Average 195.5p (£1060/head) Selling to 222p from J M Rowlands Dolwen Farm.

A pleasing trade but more numbers needed. Thank you for your support.

FAT HOGGETTS: (2207)
An excellent entry of 2207 Hoggets on Wednesday 14/3/12. The trade on the day was excellent with the average being 214p/kg. 325 Light Hogs averaged 207.5p/kg peaking at 223p/kg from M J Crawshaw Dolwen with 27kg making £80.20. 443 Standard Hogs averaged 215p/kg leading the way was a pen of 36kg hogs making £87 from W H Edwards Highgate (241p/kg). 908 Medium Hogs averaged 215.5p/kg Top call was 230p/kg from E W Jones Tyntanyfoel with 41.5kg Hogs fetching £94. The Jones family of Tyntanyfoel Cerrigdrudion sold a consignment of 289 Hogs to average 42kg at £91.86 a head or 219p/kg. Top call of the day was £105.50 from G R Moseley & Son Dairy Barn.

Superlights to 200p Lights to 223p average 207.5p, Standards to 242p average 215p, Mediums to 230p average 215.5p, Heavy's to 205p average 194.5p, Others to 189p average 173.5p. Overall average 214p.

More Hogs required each week now to meet this very strong demand. Sorting facilities are readily available each week to facilitate all vendors.

FAT EWES: (334)
A much smaller entry than of recent weeks met an exceptional trade throughout with all quality of stock being in good

demand. Ewes to £143.00 average £71.00, Rams to £131.00, average £96.00.

Please Note: All sheep entering the market must be tagged.

CALVES: (58)
Similar numbers selling to another strong trade for all classes. Best continental males to £342 females to £320. Friesian Bulls to £188. Charolais Bulls topping the sale at £342 from Messrs Evans Halton Farm. British Blue Bulls to £340 from Messrs Benbow Pump House £306 from Messrs Evans Forge Farm. Blonde D'Aquataine Bulls to £300 & £288 from Messrs Williams Wern Holding. Limousin Bulls to £310 from Messrs Owen Carreg Y Franc £298 from Messrs Wildore Carregghofa £292 from Messrs Ellis Henle.

Charolais Heifers to £320 & £280 from Messrs Evans Halton Farm. British Blue Heifers to £280 from Messrs Benbow Pump House. Blonde D'Aquataine Heifers to £262 from Messrs Williams Wern Holding.

Hereford Bulls to £250 from Messrs Benbow Pump House. Friesian Bulls to £188 from Messrs Williams Crachdir £175 & £152 from Messrs Jones Llynall Hall £164 from Messrs Henshaw Little Green Farm £150 from Messrs Foulkes Maesteg £145 from Messrs Jones Maesderw £140 from Messrs Lewis New House Farm.

STORE CATTLE: (306)
An increased entry of cattle of all shapes and sizes met with another fast trade with top price of the day going to a Charolais x steer aged 22 months sold by P L Harrison, Tregynon for £1440 (£32/kg).

P L Harrison also sold a British Blue x Steer aged 22 months for £1370 (£22/kg).

197 steers averaged £873 (£19p/kg) with notable prices including:

H E & M L Evans, Rhydy-croesau presented an excellent run of Charolais and Limousin x steers all aged 9-11 months with prices including £870 (£24p/kg), £865 (£23p/kg) and £825 (£23p/kg).

R Roberts, Penycae, also had

a cracking run of Limousin x steers all aged 8-9 months with prices including £920 (£22p/kg), £845 (£23p/kg) and £735 (£24p/kg).

J E Hughes & Son, Llanarmon D C sold a British Blue x steer aged 15 months for £1000 (£21p/kg) and a pair of British Blue x steers aged 12 months for £930 (£23p/kg).

100 heifers averaged £816 (£19p/kg) with notable prices including:

£740 (£21p/kg) paid for 3 Limousin x heifers aged 11-14 months sold by G Roberts, Llangynog.

£790 (£22p/kg) paid for a Limousin x heifer aged 11 months sold by G & B Lloyd Roberts, Rhoysgadfa.

£1030 (£19p/kg) paid for a pair of Limousin x heifers aged 22 & 23 months sold by J H Jones & Son, Ruthin.

Entries are now invited for the next catalogue sale, which will be held on the 28th March.

U72 & CULL COWS: (35)
A seasonal entry of 35 cattle met with the very best trade that we have had! Even the plain Friesian Cows were in exceptional demand with hardly anything making less than 110p/kg. Top price cow 176p/kg, Heifers 183p/kg and overall for a Cow at £1372.80

Cows
Limousin to 176p average 157.31p/kg

Hereford to 130p average 126.42p/kg

Simmental to 156p average 137.52p/kg

Friesian to 146p average 128.46p/kg

Heifers
Limousin to 183p average 170.41p/kg

Friesian to 148p Hereford to 140p

35 Cattle average 135.14p/kg

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Go bananas – VW's Herbie Beetle is back

There's an all-new version of Volkswagen's iconic Beetle on the way with an uncanny similarity to the original.

But if you loved VW's link back to the hippy age with the dash mounted vase and flower you're going to be disappointed. It's gone and its place has gone to a flip up glove box, originally seen in the air-cooled Beetle.

The Beetle, made famous in Disney's Herbie films, is about to hit UK showrooms in three trim levels and two engines with the promise of three more engines to follow.

To begin with, Volkswagen is offering a

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104bhp turbocharged 1.2-litre engine coupled to a seven-speed DSG double clutch gearbox and a 158bhp 1.4-litre petrol with turbo and supercharging that uses a six-speed manual transmission.

To follow are a 2.0-litre turbo petrol engine

with 197bhp – nearly the same engine as in the Golf GTI but with a little less power – and a 104bhp 1.6-litre turbodiesel as seen in the rest of the VW range.

The diesel will come badged as BlueMotion, so expect 65.7mpg and 114g/km emissions.

The three trim levels are Beetle, Design and Sport. The 1.2-litre is offered in Beetle or Design trim from £16,490 and the 1.4-litre in Design or Sport trim from £19,470.

Three other engines – a 1.6-litre TDI BlueMotion Technology 105 PS, 2.0-litre TDI 140 PS and 2.0-litre TSI 200 PS – will be joining the line-up later in 2012 along with the option of a six-speed manual gearbox for the 1.2-litre TSI model.

Specification levels are high. The standard Beetle comes with air conditioning, remote central locking, an RCD 310 CD system with DAB radio and rear Isofix seat preparation.

Moving to the mid-level Design trim adds 17-inch alloy wheels in a choice of two styles, Bluetooth telephone preparation with MDI (multi-device interface) iPod connectivity, front fog lights, an alarm, an RCD 510 DAB CD/radio, multifunction leather-wrapped steering wheel and body-coloured door and dashboard panels.

The range-topping Sport specification brings 18-inch alloys in a choice of two styles, tinted glass, cruise control, sports seats, parking sen-

"The option that is expected to make the biggest impact is the Fender sound pack."



The new Beetle sees a return to the iconic design loved by Herbie film fans

sors, gloss black door mirrors, dashboard and door panel and 2Zone electronic climate control.

The Beetle comes with driver, passenger and side airbags but no curtain airbags are on offer. There are twin three-point belts in the rear seats, while ABS anti-lock brakes and ESP stability and traction control are fitted to all models.

The top spec Sport model of Beetle also comes with parking sensors. Security is taken care of by an alarm, immobiliser and deadlocks.

A wide range of optional equipment will also be available, including keyless access, satellite navigation systems, a panoramic sunroof and bi-xenon headlights.

The option that is expected to make the biggest impact is the Fender sound pack.

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The driving position comes with adjustable driver's seat and two-way movement for the steering column, and headroom is excellent even if the new Beetle is styled to have more of a coupe-like roofline.

The rear seats lack legroom and the sweeping roof makes it tough on the taller passenger but the plus side is a 310 litre boot and unlike the previous Beetle, the rear seats can be folded down to expand load space up to a maximum of 905-litres.



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The sales team at Arthurs, Oswestry with the new Zafira Tourer

High excitement over arrival of new Zafira

Arthurs of Oswestry sales executives Craig Huxley, Ian Edwards, Ben Phillips and Grant Dodsworth are looking forward to the all-new Zafira Tourer dominating the multi-purpose vehicle (MPV) segment of the market.

The award-winning sales team are particularly impressed with the many features and technologies taken from the luxury car sector.

Said sales controller Ben Phillips: "There are multiple seating configurations including 'lounge seating' on key models.

"The lounge seating system offers second row passengers limousine luxury," said Ben,

who went on: "There's a raft of new features, such as Vauxhall's new front camera system and state-of-the-art infotainment."

"What really defines the Zafira Tourer is its use of quality cabin materials which set new class standards. Vauxhall has created a spacious and inviting environment for occupants offering near-panoramic views for driver and passengers."

Orders have already been received by Arthurs of Oswestry for the all-new Zafira Tourer – positioned above the current Zafira in Vauxhall's line-up – which is priced from £21,000.

There is a choice of three diesel and two petrol engines with a 119g EcoFlex engine to follow. Power outputs are from 110ps to 160ps and manual and auto transmissions are available.

Mike's Bikes for all your needs on two wheels

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Oswestry motorcycle business, Mike's Bikes, has gained an enviable reputation for its service, whether selling – or buying – machines, carrying out services and repairs, or providing a wide range of accessories.

Visitors can also be assured of friendly and expert advice. Mike's Bikes, at 8 Welsh Walls, Oswestry has been specialising in motorcycles, scooters and quad bikes for over 10 years, although Mike Hughes has been in business in the town for 30 years.

The popular family business is run by Mike and his wife, Lynn. It is a dealer for Rieju motorbikes as well as Kymco scooters and quad bikes, and also Baiton scooters.

The quad bike sales is a specialist section that attracts customers from a wide area.

Lynn said: "We sell new machines and also sell and buy secondhand bikes and scooters. And of course we will talk to customers about part exchange."

They also stock a wide range of clothing and accessories including vital protective clothing, trousers, gloves, footwear and neck tubes and accessories.

There's a range of helmets including AGV, Shark, HJC and Box. Nikwax is also sold for cleaning and waterproofing clothing and footwear.

"It may also be possible to order in special requests," said Lynn.

She said that with young people aged 16 and over able to ride scooters, Mike's Bikes was keen to advice not only on safety clothing and helmets, but also on training available to all riders.

"We can give all the details on 'CBT' training for riders that will set them out on to the road."



The team at Mike's Bikes – from left, Lynn Hughes, Nick Stockley and Mike Hughes

Once a bike or scooter is purchased customers can then rely on Mike's Bikes for MoT's and repairs, all carried out within the workshops on Welsh Walls.

The business has its own fully-qualified mechanics including a specialist, motorbike technician.

"We are happy for people to pop in and meet us and see what we have to offer. We can give advice on buying a bike or scooter tailored to an individual's need."

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Big cat gets ready to pounce on market

It has already won a handful of awards from both car enthusiasts and industry pundits: now Jaguar's new XJ flagship is 'going large' in the prestige limousine sector.

Luxury cars don't come much bigger than the stretched XJ, which gives its well-heeled owners plenty of room to stretch out in the back and enjoy its climate control, big armchairs and TV and audio toys.

At 5.2 metres, the long wheelbase version is

a whole 134mm longer than the standard XJ, making it so roomy that even a former deputy prime minister should be able to manage with only one Jag.

If that isn't enough of a saving, the three litre diesel version provides the effortless performance you'd expect of such a car with fuel economy still on the plus side of 40mpg and a relatively low emissions figure of 184g/km, better than some family hatchbacks.

That's partly due to its lightweight, all aluminium construction which also sharpens up its handling compared to some of its rivals. It

also has an aerodynamic, couple-like profile which to a degree belies its size.

The surprise is, though, that the sweeping roofline doesn't rob you of space in the rear, as you sink into the deep leather armchairs and stretch out your legs.

It was a bold move by Jaguar to switch so drastically from the iconic XJ outline which has become so familiar over the last 40 years. But the bold move proved successful when the car became the number one choice for British business buyers in its first six months on sale.

Many such cars are, no doubt, bought by those who prefer to travel in the back, their laptops busy on the polished walnut tray table in front of them.

But unlike some of the rolling canal boats in this class in the past, the owners will want to be drivers, too. With the diesel engine's whopping 600Nm of torque and a silky smooth six-speed automatic, the long wheelbase XK wafts along motorways in near silence.

Roadholding abilities

But it can also press you back in the seat with 0 to 62mph acceleration in six seconds, sweeping smoothly and comfortably along twisty A-roads thanks to its inherent roadholding abilities and a combination of adaptive electronic dynamics designed to cope with every eventuality. These are fitted not only for safety but to take some of the load from the driver – but with systems such as the rapid 'flappy paddle' gear change the human behind the wheel is still in control, and can enjoy the dynamics of a fine, powerful car.



Complete comfort if you are in the back or front of this luxurious vehicle

Whether you're in the back or the driving seat, the XJ is a car capable of carrying its passengers for long distances in ultimate comfort, and getting them to their destination relaxed and ready for business or leisure.

At £69,520 the Portfolio model tested isn't cheap but it is competitive in its class, as it does come exceptionally well equipped with technical and luxury features as standard. The optional extras were principally an upgrade to the rear seat entertainment pack, including the TV with two individual screens.

All the technical and safety features, and front and rear parking aid cameras, the cruise control and speed limiter and the soft, grain leather seats and tinted, solar glass are among

the very long list of standard equipment.

The Jaguar also stands up very well to comparisons with its principal German rivals, in terms of both performance and economy as well as comfort and standard equipment.

Prices for the long wheelbase XJ start from £58,520 for the diesel power 'Luxury' specification. There is also a petrol version powered by the 5.0 litre V8 from the XK sports car starting at £70,950 which may well prove to be the preferred choice in some of the West Midlands company's export markets.

But there's no doubt that the diesel's combination of power, economy and cost-cutting has a very real appeal for European executives of today and tomorrow.



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German marques dominate the premium mid-sized family saloon trade

Audi sets pace in battle for prized saloon market

By Brian Vertigen

The battle for sales in the premium mid-sized family saloon market is intense, with the majority of customers choosing one of three German makes – Audi, BMW and Mercedes.

These three makes accounted for 93 per cent of UK premium sales in the UK last year and the competition is getting hotter all the time.

Audi is first off the starting block with a new Audi A4 saloon and Avant (estate) model and shortly BMW will introduce a new 3-Series.

While the new A4, like all new models is slightly bigger than the outgoing version, the most significant changes are in the engine range.

Audi is now putting more economical and friendly green engines into the A4 range – and there are 110 different models to choose from! Average fuel consumption overall is dropped by 11 per cent and torque has also been increased making some of the petrol engines very competitive with the diesel versions.

In all there are three petrol engines and six diesel engines to choose from. They are all turbocharged and all feature the economy start/stop and recuperation systems.

The most exciting engine, a new 1.8 litre petrol TFSI engine pushing out 170 PS was not available for test driving at the recent Audi launch. On paper it emits 21 per cent less CO₂ than its predecessor attracting a VED of £115 a year and running costs of

around 43p per mile. The official combined mpg figure is around 49 but that of course is in perfect conditions.

The diesel range starts with a 134 bhp 2.0 litre four cylinder TDI unit that averages 64 mpg, with CO₂ emissions of 116 g/km placing it in band C for Vehicle Excise Duty. The rest of the range takes in 2.0 TDI 163PS, a 177 PS version and two very hot 3.0 litre TDI engines pushing out up to 245PS. For those who want a really 'hot' version to rival the BMW M3 there will be a RS 4 version in September this year.

On my road test of the various vehicles the 2 litre diesel engines were definitely the most enjoyable to drive and are so competent they almost make the 3.0 litre versions redundant. They offer plenty of power ranging from 136PS to 177PS with a choice of six-speed manual or multitronic gearboxes. All the engines are exceptionally smooth and quiet.

Twin-clutch

There are Quattro four wheel drive versions offered with seven speed S tronic twin-clutch also available. Standard equipment highlights include 3-zone climate control, cruise control, Bluetooth and light and rain sensors. There are also the usual three pages of Audi optional extras at extra cost!

The new model feature a new looking bonnet and front bumper, with redesigned radiator grille and headlamps. The cars all feature a new improved electromechanical power steering which makes the car easy to manoeuvre at low speeds.

The cabin is excellent and one of the car's high points; it is elegant and sophisticated. The dash sweeps round the driver. There's a new steering wheel to choose from, a new ignition key and the navigation system has been much improved with just four buttons instead of the confusing eight. The A4 boasts a 480 litre boot which can be boosted to almost 1,000 litres by folding down the rear seats. Overall there is more room in the cabin than in the outgoing model, with plenty of room for five adults. Only minus points are the pedals which are still off-set to the right.

Across the range the price increase for the new models is £200. Prices start at £23,625 for the SE version of the old 1.8 petrol engine. The new 1.8 litre starts at £25,240, diesels range from £26,555 up to £38,405. The Avant versions add about an extra £1,200.

The A4 comes with a standard three year/60,000 mile warranty but for £34 a month owners can have Audi Complete which covers all services, maintenance and a five year/90,000 mile warranty.

Overall the fresher look of the car will certainly attract new buyers and the A4 is significantly cheaper than the BMW 3-Series – around a saving of £1,500. The new A4 is now on sale.



The new model has a new bumper, redesigned radiator grille and headlamps

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	P	W	D	L	BP	Pts			
Ruskin Park	22	17	0	5	16	84			
Oswestry	21	16	0	5	14	78			
Crewe & Nantwich	22	15	3	4	10	76			
Douglas	22	14	2	6	11	71			
Vagabonds	21	11	1	9	17	63			
Salford	22	13	0	9	7	59			
Dukinfield	21	8	3	10	11	49			
Southport	21	9	0	12	6	42			
Marple	22	9	1	12	7	40			
Moore	22	8	1	13	11	40			
Oldershaw	22	6	2	14	9	37			
Ramsay	21	7	2	12	7	34			
Trentham	22	6	1	15	8	29			
Ellesmere Port	21	4	0	17	3	19			

Midlands Ladies League

FEDER WEST									
	P	W	L	F	A	Pts			
Shrewsbury	18	14	2	6	18	44			
Bham Univ III	18	14	1	5	18	42			
Stourport II	18	10	6	4	29	32			
Brighthelm	18	9	7	3	35	29			
Edgworth	18	7	3	20	27	29			
Stone	18	8	7	4	35	27			
Hinckley	18	6	10	3	42	20			
Telford & Wrekin	18	5	10	4	56	18			
Bromsgrove	18	5	12	3	65	16			
Shrewsbury II	18	0	18	8	73	0			

Cheshire League

DIVISION 4									
	P	W	L	F	A	Pts			
Oswestry	17	14	1	105	13	41			
Bollington	17	12	3	73	16	38			
Wilmslow III	18	12	5	49	31	37			
Alderley Edge III	18	8	4	32	33	28			
Neston Stn Wrekin II	18	7	7	37	33	25			
Bevington	17	7	2	29	36	18			
Timperley IV	15	5	10	24	49	17			

Shropshire Chess

DIVISION 1									
	P	W	L	F	Ag	Pts			
Telford A	12	11	1	14	16	22			
Newport A	12	8	3	340.5	19.5	17			
Shrewsbury A	12	8	3	33	27	147			
Shifnal & Telford C	12	6	5	531.5	28.5	13			
Church Stretton A	12	6	3	31	21	11			
Prioralee Lions A	12	4	6	25	35	10			
Ludlow A	12	1	10	17.5	42.5	3			
Wellington A	12	0	9	17.5	42.5	3			

Shropshire Chess

DIVISION 2									
	P	W	L	F	Ag	Pts			
Telford B	12	10	2	42	20	20			
Shifnal & Telford B	12	9	3	137.5	22.5	20			
Shrewsbury B	12	6	4	31	29	14			
Prioralee Lions B	12	6	5	531.5	28.5	13			
Prioralee Lions C	13	5	7	28.5	36.5	11			
Telford C	13	4	8	830.5	34.5	9			
Oswestry A	13	3	8	27	38	8			
Wellington B	11	1	9	17	38	3			

Shropshire Chess

DIVISION 3									
	P	W	L	F	Ag	Pts			
Newport B	11	6	0	27.5	16.5	17			
Shifnal & Telford C	11	6	1	30	14	16			
Newport C	11	4	3	23	21	13			
Church Stretton B	11	3	2	24	20	12			
Shrewsbury C	11	4	3	32.5	21.5	12			
Oswestry B	12	1	7	71.5	28.5	6			
Telford D	11	0	9	9.5	34.5	2			

Welshpool Dominoes

DIVISION 1									
	P	W	L	F	A	Pts			
Pinecroft C	23	19	4	109	52				
Pinecroft A	23	14	9	91	70				
Sun Inn	23	13	10	89	72				
Social Club A	23	12	11	86	75				
G/Dragon Butt B	24	12	12	86	84				
Celtis	23	11	12	83	78				
Cock P/A	23	12	11	83	78				
Powis Arms P/Q	23	13	10	82	79				
Pinecroft Dragons	23	13	10	81	80				
G/Dragon Butt A	23	10	13	74	87				
Compasses	23	9	14	67	94				
Railway	23	7	16	65	86				
RAP Boys	23	6	17	54	107				

Wrexham Pool League

DIVISION 2									
	P	W	L	F	A	Pts			
Waterloo	25	20	5	127	48				
Bowling Club	25	18	7	111	64				
Cock A	25	18	7	108	77				
Bridgend	25	14	11	90	85				
Dragonflies	25	13	12	90	85				
Talbot	25	13	12	88	85				
Westwood Wand	25	12	13	87	88				
Murels Bunch	25	12	13	83	92				
Angel	25	10	15	77	98				
Horsehoe	25	10	15	77	98				
Grapes	25	9	16	76	99				
Westwood	25	20	60	115					
Wellington	25	6	19	54	121				

Andrews Fish Bar**Welshpool Pool League**

PREMIER LEAGUE									
	P	W	L	F	A	Pts			
Talbot D	19	15	2	134	56	32			
Bridgend Lions	19	15	2	121	56	32			
Oak A	20	13	5	123	77	28			
Cock A	19	11	4	106	84	26			
Prestant Nomads	21	6	12	97	107	15			
Cobra	20	9	4	110	90	25			
Angel A	19	9	3	103	87	25			
Castle Boys	19	9	8	80	110	16			
The Lions Ltd	19	4	8	87	103	15			
Argae A	20	5	13	76	124	12			
Socialites	22	14	8	137	117	10			
Courthouse Judges	19	3	14	68	122	8			
Angel B	19	1	18	49	141	2			

Oswestry Pool League

PREMIER LEAGUE									
	P	W	L	F	A	Pts			
Red Lion	24	22	2	66	93				
Stanton Allstars	23	21	2	69	92				
Ucom Border Boys	23	20	3	68	92				
Five Lions	24	20	4	62	91				
Unicorn A	23	10	13	37	76				
Plough A	24	17	7	28	74				
Unicorn B	23	14	9	21	68				
Plough Wron Rhythm	23	11	12	11	63				
Unicorn Outlaws	23	11	12	3	66				
Miners Arms	23	5	18	31	42				
Bullring	23	9	14	39	38				
Keyhound	24	5	19	4	38				
George	23	3	20	73	21				
Five Bells	24	2	22	38	16				
Three Pigeons	23	2	21	45	15				
Northport Hall II	17	5	9	29	37	15			
Whitchurch II	17	3	14	10	65	9			
Deeside Ramblers III	18	2	15	14	89	1			

Crusaders crushed after 12 try rout against the Skolars

NORTH WALES CRUSADERS succumbed to their second defeat of the season as they were thrashed 66-16 by London Skolars.

The Skolars ran in 12 tries with 10 different scorers in a disastrous day for the league's Wrexham-based new boys.

The Skolars made a flying start, with two tries within the first six minutes, man of the match Dylan Skee diving over the line then Lamont Bryan running through to score.

A further five tries were added in the first period, from John Paxton, Joe Price, Neil Thorman, Alex Bate and Brad Hopkins.

In between Crusaders looked to score one of their own, both Jono Smith and Rob Massam both being held out by the home side, who went in at the interval leading 40-0.

The second half was a slight improvement by the visitors and with two tries in the first ten minutes after the break, the comeback looked to be on. Danny Hulme grabbed his

first of his brace on the day.

Lee Hudson added another, as on the back of several penalties and a scrum for a Skolars knock on, he crashed over the line from dummy half.

Just as North Wales Crusaders looked to be gaining some momentum and a foothold in the game, Chris Tyrer was sent to the sin bin by referee, Tom Crasheley. The London side added three tries in the ten minute spell that Crusaders were down to 12 men.

Chris McNamara was sent over in the left corner before Welshman Matt Thomas got on the scoresheet.

His namesake, Rob Thomas then ran in for a try and Skee added his second.

North Wales Crusaders got a third try when Hulme crossed for the second time but the scoring was concluded by Skolars' Hopkins, bringing his total for the day to two. Skee kicked nine conversions.

Top half finish hope after dominant display



Oswestry ladies celebrate after winning the Cheshire division four title

ON-SONG Oswestry made full use of their last home game of the season by beating lowly Kynoch 4-2 to boost their prospects of climbing into the top half of the ENER-G West Midlands League division two.

Despite being one player short for the majority of the first half it was Oswestry who dominated from the first whistle with the hosts transferring the ball well as the defence linked up with the midfield with good effect.

This allowed the border side to put pressure on basement strugglers Kynoch, leading to several chances.

It did not take long for Oswestry to open the scoring when Jody Wilson scored his first of the game, only for Kynoch to level soon after with a quick counter attack.

The home side continued to press their opponents as they dominated possession, and this saw them regain the lead when Elliot Bastos slotted the ball into the corner of the goal. Oswestry ended the

first half strongly, but despite their openings and efforts, they failed to increase their lead.

The Marches men continued to pass the ball around well using the wings to good effect in the second half which led to Wilson netting his second of the match.

Kynoch caused a stir when they caught Oswestry on the break to reduce the arrears to 3-2.

But Oswestry responded to this by upping their game, denying the visitors time on the ball, with Nick Flack then scoring the final goal of the match with a reverse stick strike to secure the win.

Buoyed by the win, Oswestry hope to finish the season on a high when they play Kingswinford away on Saturday in their last match of the campaign. Victory sees them just two points adrift of two sides above them.

Oswestry II, without a game last weekend, will be hoping for some silverware when they take on Bangor City in the final of the North Wales Cup at Wrexham on Saturday, April 14.

Quickfire double delivers a knockout blow for COBRA

A Two-try blast before half-time effectively ended COBRA's hopes of progress in the North Wales Cup as they slipped to a 27-13 quarter-final exit at Bala.

There had been little between the sides for most part, with the Meifod men carving a 6-5 lead with just two minutes remaining of the first period.

But they were stunned by two converted scores as Bala turned the game on its head just before the interval, and there was no way back in the second half as the division one hosts moved into the last four.

"It was a very evenly contested game, but you can't afford to switch off, even for a couple of minutes," said COBRA coach James Watkin. "For 78 minutes, we did well but those two minutes before half-time when we conceded two tries cost us."

"To be 6-5 up and then suddenly find yourselves 19-6 down was very disappointing, it left everyone very deflated."

"We finished the game in the ascendancy, but the game was lost by then."

Spirits

Looking assured of finishing runners-up in the Welsh League division two (north) and qualifying for the promotion play-offs, COBRA were in good spirits as they looked to get one over a side who play a level higher in division one.

They started well with penalty from scrum half Alwyn Williams and, despite conceding a well-worked try, got their noses back in front with a second penalty from Williams.

SPORT

The Bell are on song as Ellesmere go down

The Bell 7 Ellesmere 2
With the Bell back on form, they wrapped up their win over Ellesmere in the Oswestry Darts A League by the end of the singles.

Gary Jones, Neil Astley, Liam Astley, Craig Davies and Darren Rowe all won, with only R Thomas taking his game for Ellesmere.

The Bell then took a doubles win for partners Liam Astley and Jones, Rowe and Paul Gibson, with only Luke Jones and C Fullerton winning their game in reply for the Ellesmere.

The Bell's Astley and Ellesmere's Thomas both hit the maximum.

A LEAGUE
Penybont 7 Bullring B 2
The Penybont had the game won by the end of the singles with wins for Charles Roberts, Dave Roberts, Ray Guthrie, Steve Jones and Rich Tomlinson, with only Carl Woosnam replying for the Bullring.

The Penybont then took two of the doubles games with wins for partners Dave and Charles Roberts, Tomlinson and Clive Bebb, before victories for the Bullring partners Woosnam and Kevin McDade.

During the night, some good darts were thrown with Penybont's Tomlinson hitting a maximum, while team-mate Steve Jones took out 119 and Woosnam checked out 120 in his game.

Bullring A 6 Overton 3
At the end of the singles games, it was all equal with wins for the Bullring A from Brian Cork, Nigel Billingham and Stuart Kendrick, before Overton victories for Pete Grindley, M Whittall and D Edwards.

Then the Bullring finished the game off by taking all of the doubles games through partners Kendrick and Nick George, Bryn Morris and Brian Cork, Nigel Billingham and Richie Ingram.

Greyhound A 4 Keys 5
In a very close game, the Greyhound took the first and last singles game of the night with wins for Scott Dockerty and Gary Williams. The Keys fought back through Guy Thomas, Kirk Worthing, Mark Owen and Kev Sudlow.

The Keys then took the win in the first doubles game for partners M Smout and M Owen, before partners Gary Williams and J Bradbury and B Lee and B Teagle won the last two games of the night for the Greyhound.

B LEAGUE
Butchers 3 Royal Oak 6
Royal Oak A won in the singles with Mel Williams, Andy Roberts, Colin Thomas and Chris Powell, with the Butchers replying through Liam Lightwood and Mervyn Williams.

The doubles games saw the first game go to the Butchers with a win for partners Michael Jones and Wayne Williams.

Royal Oak partners Chris Powell and Mel Williams, Colin Thomas and Andy Bullock took the last two wins of the night.

White Lion 1 Wynstay 8
Rob Hughes won the only game of the night for the White Lion, Llansillin, during the singles games.

The Wynstay took victories through P Morris, M Taylor, W Beach, B Edwards and J Jones in the singles, with partners B Edwards and O Thomas, W Beach and M Taylor, J Jones and P Morris won all of the doubles.

Two weeks ago it was reported that Colin Lockley for The Top White Lion hit the highest check out of the season so far with 160.

This information was found to be incorrect, so 150 still remains the highest check out.



Alan Bircher is joining Ellesmere Titans' coaching team

Bircher to coach Titans talent

FORMER British swimmer Alan Bircher is the latest addition to the Ellesmere College Titans coaching team.

Bircher was a member of the British Swimming team from 1997 until his retirement in 2008 and during that long spell as a top international swimmer, he represented Great Britain at six World Championships from 2003 to 2008 – winning a silver medal in Dubai in 2004.

He competed at three European Championships, one in the pool and two in Open Water, winning a silver medal in Madrid 2004, and was a 10-time British champion at 1500m in the pool and 5km and 10km Open Water, as well as a multiple World Cup Stage winner and twice European Cup champion.

Since his retirement from elite competitive swimming, Bircher has quickly grown a reputation as one of the top young coaches in the UK.

He will be taking up the mantle of head coach at the Titans having previously been head coach at Wyre Forest since 2010 and before that at West Suffolk Swimming Club. He is also the head coach of the English Central Open Water Talent Group.

During his short period as a coach, Bircher has developed his young swimmers to become regional medalists and champions and medalists at the Junior, Youth and Senior National Championships. Alan also coached German International Steffi Biller to second place in the FINA World Cup and to the World Championships in Rome 2009.

Commenting on his move to the Titans, he said: "In just three years the Titans programme has developed some of the best young swimmers anywhere in the UK. My role is now to nurture this hugely talented pool of young swimmers to ensure success at a later stage on the world stage. I am inspired by the positive and enthusiastic set-up that the Titans can offer and relish the challenge."

Current Titans head coach Jon Pardee, who will be taking up a broader role in the development of the Titans as director of swimming, added: "The appointment of Alan is further proof of our complete commitment to ensuring that our swimmers have the very best opportunity anywhere within the UK to develop their potential."

Title hopes ended but top three is now target

MANAGER Craig Rogers believes his Morda United side have what it takes to secure a top three finish in the County League premier division.

The Weston Road men, who were playing Ellesmere Rangers last night in the Shropshire Challenge Cup semi-final, saw their title hopes effectively end following their 0-0 draw with leaders Newport and 1-0 home defeat to local rivals Ellesmere reserves in the past few weeks.

Those results now see them lying seventh in the table, but they do have games in hand on all the sides above them as they look to finish the campaign in style.

Realistic

"It's too much to ask for us to win the title now, but a top three finish is a realistic aim which would still be a very good achievement," said Rogers whose side have six league games remaining.

"We're in a good position to finish third as we have games in hand on all the sides above us, and it could be between us and Ludlow Town who we've still got to play."

Morda will be banking on a maximum return on Saturday when they head to Leegomery to take on rock bottom Impact United, with just one win to their names this season, have suffered a series of hefty defeats since the turn of the year.

Rally on the doorstep gives Welshpool team confidence

A WELSHPOOL team will be hoping to thrive on home surrounds as they line up for the 2012 MSA British Rally Championship's BRC Teams Cup, making a total of six battling it out for the prestigious title.

The Mid Wales town will be the hub of the major rally tomorrow and Saturday, which features the Bulldog International rally of North Wales, which is round two of the televised British Welsh National Rally championship.

Flying the local flag in the championship will be Davies Motorsport Services who will run a two-car Citroën DS3 R3 team, the cars piloted by an all-Welsh cast of Osian Pryce and Iestyn Williams and Tom Cave and Craig Parry.

But it will be the team's experience along with two talented crews that should pay dividends; team boss Andy Davies having worked for the Subaru World Rally Team as WRC champion Petter Solberg's leading technician.

Spectacular
The team will fight it out with fellow Welsh team AVS Motorsport, Ford Junior Team Finland, Cumbria's M-Sport Ford and Lancashire-based Pirelli TEG Sport; although Callum Black's spectacular roll and subsequent fire on round one will probably count out the Millers Oils 586 Team from the fray.

Currently leading the fight, atop an all-Ford top three, is M-Sport Ford, with the Finns second and AVS third. Pirelli TEG Sport is fourth with Black's non-score putting him fifth, but as only the highest placed crew scores for the BRC Teams Cup, it is still anyone's title.

Also taking part in the national rally is local driver James Watkin, of Rally Marketing in Boot Street, who is competing in last year's Nissan Micra with a new 1300cc engine. His co-driver is Daniel Phelps from Neath.

County cyclists on trial in a gruelling hill test

OSWESTRY Paragon Cycle Club hosted the second round of the Friction and Hydraulic Services Series 2012 with their Hilly 17-mile Time Trial Event.

Three Mid Shropshire riders took part with Simon Evans posting the fastest time from the club with 55:03 knocking one minute 13 seconds off his previous best time on a somewhat tougher day.

Close on his heels was Jenny York in a time of 55:06 and taking first place in the ladies event nearly four minutes ahead of the second place lady. Dave York was the third MD having a good ride and stopping the clock in 58:09.

Crews from England, Scotland, Wales, Northern Ireland, the Republic of Ireland, France, Finland, Norway, Estonia, USA and Australia will contest the event.

The two-wheel drive championship seems to have sparked even more interest from around the globe this year, although the BRC has always attracted all nationalities, the title having been taken under numerous nations' flags and contested by even more.

The national rally starts from the Rally HQ at Welshpool Livestock Auction on the Saturday morning, and the cars will be led away by the 2011 championship winning crew of Alex Allingham and Mark Glennerster.

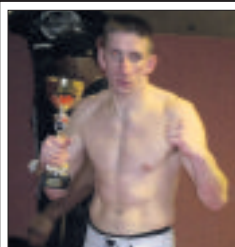
The duo will be on hand on Friday evening to meet rally

enthusiasts with their championship winning Subaru as part of the rally celebrations which include free entertainment and autograph signing in Welshpool town centre from 5pm.

The competitive element of the rally will be decided over timed 'special stages' on Forestry Commission gravel roads in the Counties of Powys and Gwynedd. Details of the location of these stages - which have provision for spectators - will be available from the event website: www.bulldog-rally.co.uk

The Service Area for the Bulldog Historic Rally will be in Dolgellau and the finish in Welshpool.

Television coverage will be on Sky Sports 2, normally on the Monday immediately following the rally.



Rich Cosgrove has earned a shot at the AMMA Pro title

Cosgrove earns a title shot after prize scalp

RICH Cosgrove claimed a notable scalp as he defeated the talented Liam Corrigan, who was previously unbeaten, in only his second professional Mixed Martial Arts tournament.

Cosgrove, of Team Elite Oswestry, can take plenty of heart from the display against his rival from Leicester Shootfighters who had won his previous nine fights, eight of those fights by submission. He also currently holds the Fight UK Lightweight Amateur title.

After his win on Saturday, Cosgrove has been asked to fight for the AMMA lightweight Pro title in July.

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School cricketers answer county and country call

ELLESMERE College cricketers are making the grade at county level after a total of 18 boys and girls were selected for Cheshire, Shropshire and Wales.

Alfie Thelwell and Ben Beaver have been called up for the North Shropshire under-10s and under-11s district squad respectively, while Luke Parker and Dominic Freer-Carmichael have been selected for the District under-13s squad.

Ben has also been selected for the Wales under-11s squad and recently spent two days of his half-term in Cardiff working with the team.

Sam Ellis and Matthew Batkin, who joined the school in September, have again been selected for the winter squad for Shropshire this year at under-12s age group.

Both boys play their cricket at Whitechurch Cricket Club and are looking forward to the season ahead at the school.

In the same under-12s age group Ben Gibson has been selected for the Cheshire squad. Ben also joined the school in September and will be a major part of the Lower School cricket and the Cheshire squad.

Lower School head boy George Newton has been selected for the under-13s squad this summer. He had an extremely successful season last year with the school and represented the under-12s Cheshire team, scoring 114 runs and taking 16 wickets.

Year 10 pupils William Doerr and David Powell have been selected for the Shropshire under-15s squad. Both boys travel alternate weeks to Wrekin College to take part in the intense winter programme which includes fitness testing, strength and conditioning training, fielding and net sessions.

Sixth formers Dewi Jones and Scott Burdakin have been selected for Wales and Cheshire under-17s respectively.

SPORT**Goal spree sets Oak up for title decider**

OAK INN 13 BLACK LION COLTS 1
OAK INN needs to win their last league game of the season against Malpas to lift the League Championship after thrashing Black Lion Colts.

Oak are within a point of leaders Duddleston Heath with identical goal difference.

Steve Tomkins gave the Oak a great start scoring within the first two minutes, and he went on to score five times.

Liam Williams and Jack Harris both bagged a brace with Nathan Richards, Alex Gunn and Dave Hartshorn also on target, while the goal of the game came from Shin Miah who started the break from defence and finished off a nine-man move.

CROSS FOXES 2

ATHLETIC MARKET 2

James Carsley vollied the Market into a ninth minute lead against Cross Foxes but Adam Hebert equalised five minutes later when he headed home a Matthew Hardy cross.

Herbert then gave the Foxes the lead on 20 minutes converting a penalty after a handball before Carsley gave Athletic Market a share of the points with a fine free kick on 25 yards.

MALPAS 0

DUDDLESTON HEATH 2

Veteran player-manager Darren Pitcher scored both Duddleston's goals to see them through to the semi-final of the Charter Standard Cup.

Pitcher headed in from a corner on 20 minutes and then curled a shot from the edge of the box on 53 minutes.

Malpas had a goal disallowed for offside against Tom Flaherty.

Fixtures for Sunday 25 March

League: Oswestry Bell v Cross Foxes

Charter Standard Cup: Ironworks v Llannymnech, Black Lion Colts v Oak Inn

Kevin

Butler to rescue for Rangers

Ellesmere Rangers 1

Dunkirk 0

A LATE Sean Butler goal took Ellesmere a step closer towards securing their Midland Alliance safety.

Butler rifled home with just 10 minutes remaining after a deep corner was hooked back into the danger zone by Craig Parr.

Kevin Renshaw twice went close for the home side in the opening period, while Dunkirk also missed two good first-half opportunities to break the deadlock.

"At one stage in the first half I thought it was going to end up about 4-4," said Ellesmere boss Matt Burton.

"There wasn't too much quality in the game but it was a big win for us. We are now up to 15th in the table and are only two points behind Dunkirk with two games in hand."

Ellesmere were back in action last night with a Shropshire Challenge Cup semi-final against County Premier League outfit Morda at Wem.

Mixed fortunes for boys

OSWESTRY under-13s finished 1-1 against Ludlow in a hard-fought contest between two evenly matched sides.

Player of the match Tom Evans scored for the home side.

At under-10 level, Oswestry Dynamites won 4-0 at Llannymnech with Joshua Olufsen, Kai Bray and Matthew Collins (2) the marksmen.

The under-15s swept aside Baschurch Juniors 8-0 with Dan Williams scoring a hat-trick, Sam Field and Scott Hale two apiece while an own goal completed the tally.

Four Crosses are made to feel full force of Breese

FOUR Crosses found themselves blown away by Jamie Breese as they bowed out of the Central Wales Cup against Llanidloes Town at Foxen Manor.

Breese scored four times as Llani ran out 5-0 winners in the quarter-final clash, with Gareth Mansell also on the mark for the in-form visitors who, playing a division higher in the Spar Mid Wales League division one, underlined their status as pre-match favourites.

Former Welshpool striker Breese had completed his hat-trick inside the first 25 minutes, the opener a lob from outside the box after latching onto a ball over the top from Kevin Davies.

He then pounced on a Luke Evans through ball to fire a second after his first effort had been saved, before notching a third from Mansell's pass. Mansell then got on the scoresheet

with a stunning 25-yard strike into the top corner in the second half before Breese sealed the win when converting a cross from Karl Seliarts.

Four Crosses had little time to dwell on the defeat as they headed to Llanidloes last night, with the teams meeting this time in the quarter-final of the Spar Mid Wales League Cup.

And they were hoping that their cause would be bolstered by the return of some key players who missed the first clash between the sides.

Rhosgch, conquerors of Berriew the previous week, also made it through to the last four of the Central Wales Cup with a 3-1 passage against Aberystwyth University who had taken the lead through Rob Hancock.

The four semi-finalists are Waterloo Rovers, Penrhyncoch, Llanidloes and Rhosgch.

Gulls hopes rocked as derby rivals hand out a hammering

LLANRHAEDR reserves took the local bragging rights as they dented the title prospects of their Guildsfield counterparts with an emphatic 5-1 home win in the JT Hughes Montgomeryshire League division one.

Two goals from Mike Roberts helped clinch an impressive victory for the hosts as the Gulls lost ground on leaders Caersws reserves who were 4-2 winners over Four Crosses reserves the previous night.

Llanrhaeadr are now clear in second spot, just one point adrift of Caersws, but they may have too much to do if they are to snatch the crown themselves with just two games remaining.

Ewan Matthews, Peter Jones and Carwen Johnson also found the net with Luke Weaver responding for the third placed Gulls who have now fallen three points off the pace.

Earlier, Jack Harris netted twice for Four Crosses in their clash with Caersws, but his side succumbed to two goals from Gareth Jones, and one apiece from Drew Reynolds and Neil Evans.

High-flying Trefonen stayed on the title trail in the Mitsubishi division two with a 3-0 home verdict against Kerry reserves, with Lee Morris netting all three goals.

Llandrinio moved off the foot of the table with a 1-0 win at fellow strugglers Waterloo Colts, Andrew Gwilt on the mark as the two teams swapped places in the basement.

There was better news for Waterloo reserves who reached the final of the Tanners Town Cup with a narrow win over Newtown reserves.

The sides finished level at 1-1 after extra time, Ben Harvey on the mark for Waterloo and Lee Jones responding, but Waterloo prevailed 5-4 in the penalty shootout.

Morda reserves, meanwhile, drew 2-2 at Newtown Wanderers in the Derek Mills Cup, a competition that is played on a league basis.

Jamie Mitchell bagged both of Morda's goals, with Newtown responding through Dave Rimmer and Mark Rivers.

Treble strike leaves Lions looking on the Bright side

UNBEATEN this year, Oswestry Lions continue to roar loud after moving up to third in the County League division one with a 5-1 hammering of Brown Clea at the Venue, helped by a Scott Bright hat-trick.

Both teams started the game well, working hard to get hold of the game, but it was the Lions who were creating the early chances on the artificial surface at Park Hall.

However, they were unable to find the net due to some fine saves from visiting goalkeeper Steve Jordan who was equal to everything that was thrown at him.

Although the Lions created plenty of chances it didn't look like a goal would come but on the half hour mark the hosts finally got the break when a corner from Ben Morris was only headed out as far as the edge of the box where Scott Bright was waiting to volley into the bottom left hand corner.

Boosted by the breakthrough, Nick Maguire's men grew in confidence and they nearly bagged a second goal a couple of minutes later when Bright was put through by Adam Jones. He went round the keeper but left himself a tight angle to finish and hit the post.

The Lions were now very much in control and got their second goal just before the break when Bright turned provider and put Gaz Windsor through who raced clear of the defenders and, with only the keeper to beat, hit the ball hard and low across the goal for a great finish.

Gifted

The second half started with both teams again trying to get the upper hand but it was the hosts who gifted Brown Clea a lifeline when Rob Shone, standing in for the absent Neil Davies, tried to cut out a dangerous looking cross from Dan Conroy and could only put the ball into his own net to make it 2-1.

A minute later it could have been all square but for a fine save by Lions goalkeeper Lee Davies, which proved a key moment as the home side immediately went 3-1 up with Bright getting his second of the match, again with a great right-footed half-volley from the edge of the box.

The Oswestry side soon extended their lead through Morris who got on the end of a through ball from Graeme Kirkham and skilfully dummied the oncoming ball that fooled the keeper and left an easy tap-in into an open goal.

Bright then completed his hat-trick in the 73rd minute that also gave the Lions a comfortable 5-1 win that lifted them up to third in the table.

In buoyant mood, the Lions will be out to keep up the good work when they are at home again on Saturday against Rock Rovers (3pm).

Football

by John Bridgwater

Llanfair steal into contest

Monty stay on course

MONTGOMERY preserved their five-point lead at the top of the Spar Mid Wales League division one after coming from behind to secure a closely fought 2-1 win at Carno.

Carno, whose boss John Davies was named manager of the month for February, took the lead through Davies' son James.

But Monty levelled before the break courtesy of Neil Pryce and bagged the points with a second half penalty converted by Elliot Jones.

Rhayader stayed in hot pursuit after winning 4-1 at lowly Dyffryn Banw who battled hard and were in with a shout after Rhodri Davies made it 1-1 at one stage.

Berriew's slump continued after being edged out 1-0 at home to Llansantffraid Village who boosted their own hopes of climbing into the top half of the table.

Having bowed out of the Central Wales Cup the previous week, it proved another disappointing outing for Mike Barton's Berriew side who succumbed to the only goal of the game from Wayne Austin.

Waterloo Rovers, despite leading 2-1 at half-time, crashed 5-2 at Bow Street, their 12th defeat of the season denting hopes of a top six finish.

Builth Wells, one position above Rovers, cemented their position among the leading pack after seeing off Tywyn Brynrcrug 4-3 on home soil.

Fourth bottom Dolgelau's home meeting with Newbridge was postponed due to a waterlogged pitch.

Skipper tees off for good cause

Outgoing Lakeside captain Brad Willets held his Captains Swansong at Hill Valley, Whitchurch, which saw a cheque for £3960.21 presented to Cancer Research.

Brad thanked all club members for their generosity in raising such a sum for this extremely worthwhile cause.

RETURNS FROM LLANNYMECH AND OSWESTRY

LLANNYMECH
Supporters Team Event: 1 Gary Huggett, Andy Don, Alan Lewis & Steve Williams 115pts, 2 Dave Roberts, Merv Davies, Simon Pugh & Bill Lee 111pts, 3 Sandy Johnson, Allen Lewis, Ken Evans & Mike Rooke 111pts.

OSWESTRY
Ladies Winter Open: 1 Helen Morris, Barbara Jones, Sue Kelly, Natalie Toy (Peron) 77pts, 2 Margaret Ratcliffe (Oswestry), Sheila Parker (Hawkestone), Hilary Fowles, Jane Storie (Church Sretton) 76pts, 3 Maggie Hopkins.

Betty Williams, Hilary Wells, Kim Harcombe (Vale of Llangollen) 76 pts, 4 Julie Slater, Nik Bingham, Joanne Wilcock, Louise Brady (Old Padwedwood) 75pts.

Ladies Stableford: 1 Margaret Dunbar 37pts, 2 Dorothy Savage and Maureen Crane, both 33pts, 3 Vali Challenger 32pts, 4 Mary Alford 31pts, 5 Margaret Green 31pts.

Nine Holes: 1 Sandra Kelly 20pts, 2 Gina Hatt, Sandy Wilson, Alma Gray, all 19pts, 5 Gwyneth Baines Jones and Doreen Kennerley, both 18pts.

* Countback

PREMIER DIVISION

Newport Town.....23 15 5 35 25 48
Kettering Bank Ltd.....23 15 5 35 25 48

Weston Utd.....23 15 5 35 25 48
Oswestry Reserves.....23 15 5 35 25 48

Harwood Utd Rts.....24 14 8 55 40 44
Oakenfold Ath.....22 14 7 55 34 43

Press.....26 13 9 56 40 43
Wrexham Rovers.....23 9 66 40 43

Rock Rovers.....24 12 8 55 40 40
Bishops Castle Tn.....26 11 56 37 47

Shawbury Utd Rts.....25 10 43 53 35
Macle Brace.....25 12 57 31 31

Brown Clea.....22 11 61 47 27
Hogestave Utd.....26 8 14 68 20

Wood Wd Jnrs.....25 6 19 24 63 18
Ludlow Town Rts.....24 17 34 63 18

Clee Hill.....25 3 19 26 76 18
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Roche North Shropshire Sunday League
Cross Foxes 2, Athletic Market 2, Oak Inn 13, Black Lion Colts 1.

Charter Standard Cup: Malpas 0, Duddleston Heath 2.

P W L F A Pts
Duddleston Heath.....12 2 2 66 38

Oak.....13 1 2 66 37
Oswestry Bell.....13 9 26 28

Black Lion Colts.....16 7 2 14 23
Malpas.....13 7 1 5 1 22

PLACINGS

J. T. Hughes Montgomeryshire League

Llansantffraid Village Cup semi-final: Caersws Res 4, Gareth Jones (2), Drew Reynolds, Neil Evans, Four Crosses Res 2 (Jack Harris 2).

Honda Division one: Llannrhaeadr Res 5 (Mike Roberts 2, Ewan Matthews, Peter Jones, Carwen Johnson), Gullsfield Res 1 (Luke Weaver).

Mitsubishi Division two: Trefonen 3 (Lee Morris 3, Kerry Res 2, Waterloo Colts 0), Llandrinio 1 (Andrew Gwilt).

Derek Mills Cup (League basis): Newtown Wanderers 2 (Dave Rimmer, Mark Rivers), Morda Res 2 (Jamie Mitchell).

Tanners Town Cup semi-final: Waterloo Res 1 (Ben Harvey), Newtown Res 1 (Lee Jones) aet. Waterloo won 5-4 on penalties.

Honda Division 1

P W L F A Pts

Caersws Res.....12 3 47 20 37

Llannrhaeadr Res.....12 3 47 20 37

Gullsfield Res.....16 11 4 66 24 34

Llandrinio.....16 11 4 37 20 34

Waterloo Res.....20 9 4 37 29 29

Newtown Res.....15 8 46 26 38

Llansantffraid Res.....18 7 6 38 39 26

Llanidloes Res.....17 8 34 41 25

Llanfechain.....14 5 6 23 25 18

Carno Res.....7 22 27 16

Churchstoke.....17 2 13 21 66 8

Berriew Res.....18 0 17 16 74 1

Mitsubishi Division 2

P W L F A Pts

Trefonen.....17 10 4 58 36 33

Morda Res.....16 8 3 51 21 29

Four Crosses Res.....14 8 3 32 17 27

Llanfair Res.....12 8 2 36 20 26

Newtown Res.....15 8 46 26 38

Newtown Ward.....16 6 7 32 43 21

Kerry Res.....14 8 21 47 17

Abermule Res.....17 11 27 51 14

Llandrinio.....15 4 9 23 36 14

Waterloo Colts.....17 3 11 30 59 12

Spar Mids Wales League

Division one: Berriew 0, Llansantffraid Village 1, Bow Street 5, Waterloo 2, Builth Wells 4, Tywyn Brynrcrug 3, Carno 1, Montgomery 2, Dyffryn Banw 1, Rhayader 4.

Division two: Bont 4, Aberdyf 2, Knighton 2, Talgarth 2, Llanfair Utd 1, Llandrinio Utd 0, Machynlleth 3, Kerry 2, Presteigne 1, Aberaeron 5.

Division 1

P W L F A Pts

Montgomery.....24 20 3 95 25 61

Rhayader.....22 17 3 76 28 53

Llanidloes.....23 15 4 86 25 49

Newbridge.....17 13 2 40 19 41

Carno.....21 13 4 47 41

Builth Wells.....22 11 4 45 45 36

Waterloo.....24 10 12 56 30 30

Tywyn/Brynrcrug.....24 8 10 45 30 30

Llansantffraid.....24 8 10 43 30 30

Bow Street.....25 9 43 44 30 30

Dolgelau.....21 6 13 38 64 20

Dyffryn Banw.....23 16 27 41

Aber Utd.....20 6 17 49 10

Welshpool.....25 2 21 103 8

Division 2

P W L F A Pts

Knighton.....24 14 5 64 35 47

Llandrinio Wells.....21 14 3 70 15 46

Aberaeron.....19 14 2 56 21 45

Four Crosses.....20 14 5 71 34 43

Llanfair Utd.....19 12 3 50 18 40

Machynlleth.....22 12 7 65 36 39

Talgarth.....26 12 10 70 38 38

Rhosgch.....20 11 5 60 32 37

Llanfair Utd.....23 8 9 53 30 37

Kerry.....25 7 10 33 47 29

Abermule.....25 7 14 47 24 25

Aberdyf.....23 7 14 44 67 19

Presteigne.....24 5 15 47 74 19

Bont.....18 4 12 30 68 14

Mellid.....18 11 11 84 1

Sportsjamiks.com County Premier League

Premier division cup, round one: Brosley Juniors 0, Dawley Villa 0 (aet); Church Street 0, Hodnet 1; Impact United 1, Wellington Amateurs Reserves 8; Ludlow Town 4, Kettering Bank 0; Shifnal United 97-1, Telford Juniors 0.

Division one: Allscott 2, Oakenfold Athletic 4; Hogestave 4, Rock Rovers 2; Ludlow Town Reserves 1, Shawbury United Reserves 1; Macle Brace 0, Blithay Castle 0; Oswestry Lions 5, Brown Clea 1; Weston Rhy 2, Wrockwardine Wood Juniors 1; Wroxeter Rovers 3, Harwood United Reserves 0.

Premier Division

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SPORT

Baldwin leg break sours win for Guils

GUILSFIELD stopped the rot in the Cymru Alliance with a welcome 4-1 home success over rock bottom Rhos Aelwyd - but the game was tainted with midfielder Ed Baldwin breaking his leg.

Baldwin had put the Guils on course for the points with an early header, with all the goals coming inside the first 35 minutes.

But his afternoon ended prematurely when he broke his leg in a 50-50 challenge in the second half, the game being held up for an hour and a quarter as they waited for medical assistance.

"It was good to get a win, we were a bit lucky, but the game was tinged with Ed breaking his leg," said boss Russell Cadwallader.

"It wasn't a bad tackle, it was a 50-50 challenge, but the other lad probably got there a bit earlier and unfortunately Ed broke his leg. It's really disappointing for him as he works hard and has done well for us this season. He's a fit lad and hopefully he'll make a good recovery."

"We've had no luck with injuries, and with us having so many players out, it made the result all the more important on Saturday."

The victory ensured Guilsfield are well clear of any basement danger, and Cadwallader added: "It was a good win, but not a particularly good performance. We got a bit lucky with some of the goals, but the result was more important than the performance."

"Rhos played some good football and they hammered us in the second half, but we hung on and got the points."

Baldwin suffered his unfortunate break on 70 minutes, and the game was delayed for an hour and a quarter. After an ambulance failed to arrive, an air ambulance came to the rescue, before the game was completed in rather subdued fashion. The match finally finished at 5.45pm.

Having not scored in four outings, all of which resulted in defeats, the Guils were quickly in their stride as they put paid to any thoughts they could be dragged into basement trouble.

Baldwin got the first when heading home on seven minutes after the visiting keeper failed to reach a cross, and Nathan Leonard then doubled the lead moments later after another lapse from the keeper who failed to deal with a ball over the top.

Danny Barton, who looked sharp following injury, then made it three on 21 minutes when heading in a Chris Roberts cross and, although James Hussaney pulled one back moments later, striker Barton bagged his second from a left wing cross by Mark Davies to restore the three-goal cushion.

Rhos pressed after the break, but Guilsfield held firm to repel the raids before the game was clouded by the injury to Baldwin.

His loss will add to the injury problems with James Henderson and Darragh O'Callaghan also out for the rest of the season, and Rob Cookson is suspended, leaving the Guils down the bare bones for Saturday's trip to Llanrhaeadr.

Holiday soccer schools

THE New Saints Football Foundation is running Easter soccer schools at Park Hall for boys and girls of all abilities, from five to 13 years of age.

As well as UEFA qualified coaches, first team players from the New Saints will also be attending the soccer school to coach, give hints and tips.

The soccer schools will be held at Park Hall Stadium daily from Tuesday April 3 to Friday April 6 (1-4pm).

Super sub Scott puts Saints in driving seat

Neath 0 The New Saints 1

A LATE strike from the evergreen Scott Ruscoe kept The New Saints on course for the Welsh Premier crown with this priceless victory over 10-man title rivals Neath at the Gnoll.

The experienced campaigner stepped off the bench to fire the Oswestry men back to the top of the table with their fifth successive league win - and effectively end the title aspirations of their hosts.

The Saints had found it hard to break down a resilient Neath side who had battled hard after having winger Chris Jones sent off nine minutes into the second half for his second bookable offence.

But, eight minutes from time, midfielder Ruscoe popped up to crash home a 10-yard shot past keeper Lee Kendall after Alex Darlington's shot had been deflected.

Victory saw TNS restore their two-point lead over defending champions Bangor City who had returned to the summit briefly the night before following their 4-0 drubbing of Prestatyn.

And third placed Neath's own title hopes suffered a major blow as they now find themselves six points adrift in third spot with just five games remaining.

Heath coach Carl Darlington praised another fine team display as Ruscoe showed his worth with the decisive goal.

"When Neath went down to 10 men, we brought on Barry Hogan and Scott Ruscoe and their experience helped us, and Scott makes a habit of scoring big goals in big games."

"Although Bangor won the night before, we went there with no fear and we knew that if we didn't lose then we would go back to the top."

"A draw would not have been the end of the world, but we were delighted to come away with the three points as it keeps the winning mentality."

In a tense affair at The Gnoll last Saturday, TNS defender Steve Evans was forced to clear an early effort from Luke Bowen which had beaten keeper Paul Harrison, but the Saints responded with a Ryan Fraughan pile-driver which fizzed across the face of goal.

Blow

Simon Spender blazed over the bar on the half-hour and, just before the break, Alex Darlington beat the offside trap only for keeper Lee Kendall to save low down.

The Eagles' hopes, however, suffered a blow nine minutes after half-time when wingman Chris Jones was dismissed after picking-up a second caution for dissent.

TNS looked to capitalise, with Chris Seargeant's shot inside a crowded Neath box ricocheting to safety as the visitors enjoyed an extended spell of possession against their 10-man opponents.

But the home side were in no mood to surrender, and sounded a warning when former Swansea star Lee Trundle played in Kerry Morgan who picked out Bowen but, through on goal, the hosts' leading scorer opted for a chip which was comfortably saved by Harrison.

With time ticking away, the breakthrough looked increasingly hard to find before Ruscoe, who had come off the bench in the 70th minute, found a way through when drilling a 10-yarder past Kendall.

The title destiny is now firmly in the Saints' own hands with just five games remaining - the first of which is at home to struggling Prestatyn on Friday night.

Injury time spot kick setback for Mario's men

LLANRHAEDR's relegation plight deepened in the Huws Gray Cymru Alliance after being denied by a last-gasp penalty in a 2-2 draw at fellow strugglers Llangefni.

With time fast running out, this was a game that Mario Iaquinta's side desperately needed to win and they looked in sight of the points after goals from Jamie Evans and Alun Jones saw them edge ahead.

But, deep in injury time, they were pegged back by Matt Devine's spot kick, and are now four points adrift of safety with just four games remaining.

Llangefni, who looked doomed to relegation despite the point, took the lead through a Hamish Clifton own goal midway through the first half, but Evans netted a leveller following a scramble and Jones put the visitors ahead.

The encounter ended in heated fashion, with a player from each side sent off, assistant boss and striker Tryfan Prosser for the Anglesey hosts, along with Llanrhaeadr's Josh Wood who found himself somewhat harshly red-carded.

The draw leaves Llanrhaeadr with a battle against the clock if they are to preserve their Cymru Alliance survival, and it adds to the pressure ahead of Saturday's crunch home clash with Powys rivals Guilsfield.

Boss Iaquinta remained upbeat, saying: "We were missing three players, we had a couple of players who had been ill and a couple of others who had jet lag after coming back from Las Vegas on Friday."

"But they gave everything, I was really proud of them, and we can take a lot of positives. Everyone was down at the end, but for me every time we don't lose in this league is a fantastic achievement."

"It's going to be tough for us to get out of the bottom three, but we'll try and pick up as many points in our last four games and see what happens."

Emyr Roberts, Ben White (who was suspended) and Simon Edwards all missed the game, while several other players were under the weather following illness. However, they started off well with 17-year-old reserve teamer Tom Bailey impressing at centre half after making his debut in the absence of Roberts.

Yet it was Llangefni who hit the front through a Clifton own goal midway through the first half following a scramble. The Anglesey hosts hit the post, Dan Kelly hooked the ball clear on the goal line but the ball bounced into the net off the chest of Clifton.

Undaunted, Llanrhaeadr hit back as they enjoyed plenty of possession, with Evans levelling in a goal-mouth melee and Jones then latching onto a pass from Rob Fox to put the visitors ahead.

But they struggled in the second half as illness took its toll, and had to withstand a barrage from the home side who were frustrated as a couple of decisions didn't go their way.

However, they won a penalty in the closing moments, converted by Devine who squeezed his shot past keeper Lee Davies, to earn parity for the Anglesey hosts who themselves also look set for the drop.

White, Roberts and Edwards all return for Saturday's crunch derby with Guilsfield, but Wood starts a three-match ban after his unfortunate dismissal after being more sinned against than sinning.

Late strike puts one foot in cup final for the New Saints

The New Saints 3 Newtown 2
ALEX DARLINGTON'S late strike kept the Saints on the trail of more Welsh Premier League Cup glory after carving a slender first leg lead in their semi-final against Newtown at Park Hall.

Having lifted the trophy for the past three seasons, the holders were made to battle all the way by a spirited Newtown side who, despite their relegation concerns in the league, battled back from a two-goal deficit.

They were eventually being sunk by Darlington's second goal of the game.

The tie remains very much alive for the return leg at Latham Park in two weeks but the Saints - who rang the changes - were left to reflect on a string of missed chances and some sloppy defending after surrendering a comfortable 2-0 half-time lead.

Chris Seargeant fired TNS ahead in the 18th minute from Simon Spender's right wing cross and only a superb save from visiting goalkeeper Nick Thomas kept out a drive from Chris Williams after good work by Sam Finley.

Pressure

At the other end, Keiran Mills-Evans forced goalkeeper Alex Ramsay into a save but Darlington added the second goal on the stroke of half-time, heading home from Marcus Giglio's left-wing cross.

Seargeant hit the post early in the second half but the Robins - who shocked high flying Bangor City in the quarter-finals - turned the tie around as they levelled with two goals inside three minutes.

Nick Rushton was gifted a reply when he intercepted a stray Giglio back-pass for the easiest of chances, before Gareth Partridge dinked the ball over his marker to slot home the equaliser.

In a purple patch for the visitors, Matty Cook hit the crossbar and Callum Wright forced a good save from TNS goalkeeper Ramsay.

Substitute Charlie Proctor drew another good save from Thomas as the visitors' goal before, in the last minute of normal time, Darlington produced a fine individual goal, lobbing the stranded Thomas from the edge of the box for his 12th goal of the season.

Despite the defeat, struggling Newtown - who suf-



ferred a narrow league defeat at home to TNS earlier in the season - will still fancy their chances of an upset in the second leg if they can produce a similar resolve.

In the semi-final, it's advantage Afan Lido who were 1-0 winners at fancied Neath in their first leg.

Saints are in seventh heaven

THERE were goals galore for St Martins in division two of the West Midlands League as they romped to a 7-1 triumph at Team Dudley.

Carl Bailey broke the deadlock and also hit the woodwork in a first half dominated by the visitors.

The game was put beyond doubt in the run-up to half-time with goals from Nathan Williams and Tom Mackerall, although Dudley pulled one back at the start of the second half.

However Chris Smout added a fourth when he slotted home a rebound after Mackerall struck the post.

And the visitors added some gloss with Ryan Butcher, Tim Allen and Mackerall finding the net.

Ellesmere Rangers reserves will be out to push themselves into the top half of the County League Premier Division when they play host to Shifnal 97 on Saturday.

Buoyed by their 1-0 win over Morda United in their last outing, Rangers will be looking to keep up the good work against a side who lie just one place and one point above.

With four league games left, manager Dan Stevens believes his side are still capable of a top six or seven finish, as they look to build on their seven match unbeaten run in the league.

He said: "Saturday is a big game, as Shifnal are one of the sides we can go above in the table."

"We are on a good run and want to keep it going."

Ellesmere are also still involved in the Premier Division cup and visit Whitchurch on April 7, as they vie for a place in the quarter-finals.

Stevens, meanwhile, will be loathe to play his youngsters on Saturday.

The following day, Ellesmere take on All Saints in the semi-final of the Shropshire Youth Cup at the Shrewsbury Sports Village.



New Saints' Chris Seargeant gets past Newtown's Shane Sutton to fire the first goal. Picture: Andrew Lincoln.

TNS kids in final after a thriller

AFTER a thrilling clash, The New Saints reached the final of the FAW Youth Cup for the first time in their history with a fine 5-3 victory over Wrexham at Cefn Druids.

An end-to-end affair was finally settled into deep into stoppage time when Scott Quigley completed his hat-trick to seal the victory. Ryan Jones and Tom Allen, with a penalty, also found the net, with the Saints now meeting holders Swansea City in the final.

Wrexham took the lead on 13 minutes when a corner was headed clear by Sean Ellis only as far as Matthew Owen, who returned the ball with interest from 25-yards. Keeper Alex

Ramsay could only parry the shot and Ed Marsh seized on the rebound.

The Saints levelled on 27 minutes when Quigley's shot was blocked by Wrexham keeper Louis Gray and Ryan Jones tucked away the rebound from close range.

Three minutes after the break, TNS took the lead when Daniel Roberts fed Quigley who turned his man before hitting an angled right-foot shot into the far corner.

Wrexham hit back just past the hour when a Marsh corner was headed clear by Aaron Simms but James Colbeck volleyed the ball back into the roof of the net.

Quigley restored the lead following a Strong run by Dan Roberts, but the advantage lasted only three minutes before a mix-up between Ramsay and Ellis allowed Jonathan Royle to head into an empty net.

Saints were back in front again in the 80th-minute when keeper Gray took out Quigley's attempt to reach a Dan Roberts cross and was red-carded. Sub keeper Louis Moss took over and his first task was to fish Tom Allen's spot kick out of the net.

And, in the 94th-minute, TNS joy was completed when Tim Hardy's long ball forward found Quigley who tucked the ball past Moss for the fifth goal.

TNS ladies in cup last four

THE NEW SAINTS may be enjoying cup success at senior and youth level, but the ladies were not to be outdone as they hammered Telford 8-0 to reach the semi-final of the Shropshire Women's Challenge Cup.

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Alex Darlington punches the air after scoring his first, and The New Saints' second goal against Newtown

Wary Saints bid to stretch lead

THE New Saints are looking to steal a march on their Welsh Premier title rivals - but head coach Carl Darlington sounded a warning as they prepare for tomorrow night's visit of Prestatyn (7.45pm).

Victory against the faltering Seasiders would take TNS five points clear at the top, with main rivals and defending champions Bangor City not in action until the following day at home to Llanelli.

It's the ideal chance to turn up the pressure at the top, but Darlington warned of the pitfalls after seeing the title chasers given a scare by Newtown in the league cup semi-final in midweek before eventually winning 3-2 in their first leg tie.

"That should serve as a warning that you cannot take any team for granted, top or bottom, and can't go into any game expecting to win," he said. "Newtown came to us with nothing to lose, we

controlled the first half and could have been three or four at half-time, but a bit of complacency crept in in the second half before we got the goal and the win that our performance deserved.

"Prestatyn will be no different, and it's important we learn the lessons of Tuesday night. Prestatyn have had some poor results, but they can't be relegated and the pressure will again be on us.

"We did not play particularly well against Newtown, but we put in excellent performances at Bangor and Neath in our last two away games. There's great belief in the squad, and it's important to keep that winning mentality."

It's been a busy spell for the Saints who are in the midst of three games in six days, and Darlington is not looking too far ahead despite the fact that three of the Oswestry side's four remaining league games are at home.

"We're in a good position, but we were four points clear of Bangor with two games left last season and ended up losing the league, so there is still a long way to go," he added.

Prestatyn, despite having qualified for the top six and the Championship Conference, have struggled in the second half of the season with six straight defeats and have not won since November 27.

Saints wingman Craig Jones is a doubt with a hamstring injury while top scorer Greg Draper misses his third game due to international commitments with New Zealand under-23s' Olympic squad.

▲ Striker Greg Draper was on target as The New Zealand under-23s eased into the semi-finals of the Olympic qualifiers with a resounding 10-0 thumping of Tonga on the final day in their Oceanic Group.

Eagles in last call for title

OSWESTRY know there can be no half measures when they host Dukinfield as they look to keep alive their title dreams in the South Lancs and Cheshire Division Two.

Trailing leaders Ruskin Park by six points with a game in hand, the second-placed Eagles need a win on Saturday against their mid-table rivals to keep up the pressure at the top.

Although Park stole a march with a 50-5 hammering of Moore in the only game in the division last week, Eagles coach Scott Sturdy is backing the border side to handle the heat in their last five outings.

The race for the title and promotion is now a three horse race between Ruskin Park, Oswestry and Crewe and Nantwich, who are still in with a shout two points behind in third spot.

The crunch encounter will be the following week when the Eagles visit title rivals Ruskin Park but, before then, the border men have to make sure there are no slips-ups on Saturday.

Sturdy said: "It's no point think about beating Ruskin Park, if we lose to Dukinfield, Saturday will be a tough game."

"Their league position doesn't reflect what a good side they are, they are no mugs, so we have to front up."

"It's going to be a difficult game for us but, if we do our stuff, then the result will look after itself."

"We can't expect what other teams do, we just have to concentrate on ourselves in our last games."

Rally good race ahead

THE world's top rally drivers come to Welshpool for a big weekend of action, starting tomorrow, in an event that features the Bulldog International rally of North Wales, round two of the televised British Welsh National Rally championship.

Crews from England, Scotland, Wales, Northern Ireland, Eire, France, Finland, Norway, Estonia, USA and Australia will contest the Welshpool-based event.

See page 53 for a full preview of the local interest

Pool face a test of Steel's strength

by John Bridgwater

WELSHPOOL face the task of shackling Shotton Steel when they make Saturday's testing trip to the runaway leaders in the Welsh League division three (north).

Unbeaten Shotton have won all 14 games this season with plenty to spare, but Pool can make the trip in good heart on the back of a three-match winning run as they look to improve their sixth position.

Both sides have been left kicking their heels in recent weeks due to the Six Nations Championship, and Pool coach Frank Jones is relishing a return to action, although he accepts his team face a stern test.

"Shotton will be a tough game as they are unbeaten and top of the league, and we're not sure what team we'll have at the moment," he said.

"But we've won our last three games, and we're a different club this season both on and off the field."

After taking on Shotton, Pool have three games remaining, two at home to Harlech and Flint, while they also visit Anglesey side Benllech.

▲▲▲▲ COBRA, who bowed out of the North Wales Cup with a 27-13 exit at Bala, have no game this weekend in the Welsh League division two (north).

Their final league fixture, at champions elect Dolgellau, will be played on Saturday, April 7, after which the second placed Meifod men will embark on their promotion play-off against Mold as they bid for a place in division one next term.

TROUBLED Welshpool Town may be propping up the Spar Mid Wales League division one - but the sky's the limit once again when sports pundit Chris Kamara makes another appearance for the lowly Lilywhites.

The former Leeds and Stoke midfielder, now a regular presenter on Sky Sports, will dust off his boots a second time in the club's last home game of the season against Newbridge (7.45) next Wednesday.

It's been a tough campaign for the ailing Maesyddre side, but the appearance of Kamara has at least lifted some of the gloom and helped secure their short term financial future.

And he comes out of retirement a second time as the Lilywhites look to end the season on a high note in their final week of the campaign.

After Pool's plight hit the headlines on Sky's Soccer Saturday over Christmas, the programme's bosses "loaned" out Kamara who made his debut for the Lilywhites against title chasing Rhayader in January.

Match highlights were screened by the satellite broadcaster the following week and, although Pool lost the game 6-1 in front of a 500 strong crowd, the 54-year-old ace enjoyed the experience so much that he will appear again on the team sheet.

It's another welcome boost for the Lilywhites who have battled on gamely

by John Bridgwater

against all the odds this term.

"I knew Sky were doing to do something before the end of the season, but it was a bit of a surprise that Chris has agreed to come down and play again," said manager Dave Jones. "He'll again play in midfield, we can always find a space for him."

"After the last game, Chris text me saying how much he enjoyed the day which speaks volumes for both the club and the town's people who came out to support the side. It was a fantastic day."

"We can expect another big crowd and national exposure to millions of TV viewers for the town and the league." The club's new kit will be also presented before the match.

Before Kamara arrives, Pool have a trip to Aberystwyth University on Sunday before completing their season at Berriw the following Saturday.

They have signed former Four Crosses and Welshpool reserve team midfielder Mark Dutton, while a right winger may also join before the weekend.



Look who's back - Sky Sports pundit Chris Kamara will be playing again in the Spar Mid Wales League division one next week, turning out once more for Welshpool Town

Oswestry hockey ladies promoted

CELEBRATIONS were in full flow as Oswestry Ladies lifted the Cheshire Hockey League division four crown - and with it promotion to division three next season.

And they did in style with a 6-0 win over visiting Northop Hall, giving them an unsailable lead at the top with just one game

remaining, a rearranged clash at home to Timperley on Saturday.

"We started a bit shaky for the first 10 minutes, but once we got the first goal we settled down and played well," said delighted team manager Tracey Royle.

See page 52 for picture plus more hockey

Dale gives his Rovers a roasting

DALE ROBERTS will be looking for his Waterloo Rovers side to bounce back after suffering what he described as "his lowest point" as manager of the Welshpool club.

Rovers were downed 5-2 at Bow Street last week, and will need to up their game when they host Berriw in Saturday's Spar Mid Wales League Cup quarter-final.

Roberts pulled no punches after the defeat, saying: "Saturday's performance has to be the lowest point since my appointment as Waterloo manager."

"All credit to Bow Street who fully deserved their win based on how they played in the second half but this was a game that we fully expected to win."

"Our second half performance was dismal and the lads realise that the way they played was unacceptable."

Despite going behind, Waterloo were much the better side in the first half with a well placed header from Ricky Litchfield levelling the scores, before Chris Proctor struck from 25 yards just before half-time to give them the lead.

They looked in full control, before falling apart in the second period.

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**30 WESTFIELDS
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A well maintained and spacious, 4 bedroomed detached family house, in an attractive cul-de-sac position, approx 8 miles north west of Shrewsbury. The accommodation benefits from oil-fired CH and sealed unit DG and briefly comprises: reception hall, cloakroom, lounge, dining room, spacious kitchen/breakfast room, utility room, master bedroom with en-suite shower room, 3 further good sized bedrooms and family bathroom. Ample parking and integral double garage. Pleasant gardens.



**WOOD COTTAGE
CUTBURY HOLLOW
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£315,000**

A charming, well appointed and spacious detached country cottage of character in a delightful rural setting with views across the River Severn, approx 5 miles north west of Shrewsbury. Oil fired CH from a Stanley cooking range and wood effect, PVCu sealed unit DG, entrance porch, hallway, sitting room, large conservatory/garden room, dining/living room, kitchen, utility/study, cloakroom/shower room with WC, inner hall, annex providing bed/sitting room, 2 first floor double bedrooms and good sized bathroom. Ample parking and standing space for caravan/boat etc. Pleasant gardens including sheltered terrace with BBQ area. NO CHAIN IMMEDIATE POSSESSION AVAILABLE



**THE BARN
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£295,000**

A most attractive and spacious barn conversion with adaptable accommodation in a peaceful, unspoilt rural setting approximately 9 miles east of Shrewsbury and 8 miles from Wellington, Telford. The adaptable accommodation benefits from oil fired CH and sealed unit DG and briefly comprises: lounge, dining room, kitchen, utility room, 2 ground floor bedrooms with a large Jack and Jill wet room (ideal for those with disabilities/special needs) 3 first floor bedrooms and bathroom. Ample parking, small courtyard garden with patio and decking.



**7 WELLCROFT
MYDDLE
£295,000**

A most attractively designed, spacious and well appointed, 5 bedroom, modern detached family house, in a pleasant end of cul-de-sac village position, approximately 8 miles north of Shrewsbury. The accommodation benefits from gas fired CH, sealed unit DG, cavity wall insulation and a security system and briefly comprises: entrance porch, entrance hall, cloakroom, spacious through lounge, dining room, kitchen/breakfast room, utility room, master bedroom with dressing area and en suite shower room, 4 further bedrooms, family bathroom and shower room. Good parking and double garage. Beautifully set out gardens planned for low maintenance. No chain Immediate possession available.



**4 QUARRY CLOSE
MYDDLE
£325,000**

A truly spacious and attractively designed 5 bedroomed detached family house in a pleasant private cul-de-sac position, situated approx 8 miles North of Shrewsbury. The accommodation benefits from oil fired CH, sealed unit DG and a security system and briefly comprises: recessed entrance porch, reception hall, cloakroom and wc, well proportioned lounge, dining room, conservatory, sitting room/study, kitchen/breakfast room, utility room, master bedroom with shower room and dressing area, 4 further bedrooms and large family bathroom. Ample parking and detached double garage. Delightful secluded and sheltered gardens. NO CHAIN.



**BROCK COTTAGE
32/33 PRESTON
BROCKHURST
£325,000**

A delightful, charming, detached Grade II, 3-bedroomed Period cottage with a wealth of character including half timbered construction, a self contained flat and the whole enjoying delightful open country views, approximately 12 miles north of Shrewsbury. Entrance hall, cloakroom, dining room, living room, large dining kitchen, utility room, 3 bedrooms, bathroom. Adjoining self contained flat comprising entrance hall, lounge, sun lounge/conservatory, kitchen, bathroom and 2 bedrooms. The whole enjoying good sized gardens and grounds. Stone, brick and tiled double garage. Oil heating to the main house. The whole enjoying superb views.



**6 BRIAR CLOSE
MINSTERLEY
£159,500**

- Well kept, 2 bed detached bungalow
- Gas CH, PVCu DG, cavity wall insulation
- Cloaks, wc, conservatory
- 2 driveways, large garage/workshop
- Pleasant gardens with privacy



**1 HAROLD'S BANK
CHURCH PULVERBATCH
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- Delightfully situated character cottage
- Living room with multi-fuel stove and exposed timbers
- Kitchen, bathroom, landing, bedroom
- Parking, stores and summer house
- Productive good sized gardens



**3 CHESTNUT CLOSE
HANWOOD
£285,000**

A tastefully enlarged and most attractive 5 bedroomed detached family house in a pleasant and convenient village cul-de-sac position, approximately 4 miles south west of Shrewsbury. The accommodation benefits from gas fired CH and PVCu sealed unit DG and briefly comprises: recessed entrance porch, reception hall, cloakroom/shower room with wc, lounge, dining room, impressive conservatory/garden room, kitchen/breakfast room, utility room, 4 bedrooms and study/bedroom 5, large family bathroom with bath and shower. Parking and large integral garage. Sheltered garden planned for ease of maintenance. NO CHAIN IMMEDIATE POSSESSION AVAILABLE.



**5 CHESTNUT CLOSE
FOUR CROSSES
£235,000**

An attractively designed and beautifully appointed modern, 4 bedroomed detached family house, in a pleasant fringe of village position, approximately 15 miles West of Shrewsbury. The accommodation benefits from; oil fired CH and PVCu sealed unit DG and briefly comprises: recessed entrance porch, entrance hall, cloakroom with wc, lounge, dining room, conservatory, study, kitchen/breakfast room, utility room, master bedroom with en-suite shower room, guest bedroom with en-suite shower room, 2 further bedrooms and family bathroom. Integral garage. Ample parking. Attractively landscaped gardens, which are fully enclosed to the rear.



**8 HOLCROFT WAY
CROSS HOUSES
£179,500**

A most attractive and immaculately maintained modern 3-bedroomed semi-detached house in a pleasant village cul-de-sac position, approximately 5 miles south-east of Shrewsbury, and also well placed for access to Telford and Much Wenlock. The accommodation benefits from off peak electric heating and sealed unit DG and briefly comprises: entrance hall, lounge, dining room, conservatory, kitchen, 3 bedrooms and bathroom. Enclosed rear garden, ample parking, garage and store. NO UPWARD CHAIN



**OAKLANDS
WIGMORE LANE
WATTLERSBOROUGH
£399,000**

A beautifully appointed and substantial, modern, 5 bedroom detached family house, situated on the fringe of the village at the end of a short private drive shared with 2 other properties, with views over the adjoining open countryside to the rear. Approximately 5 miles west of Shrewsbury and a similar distance from Welsphool. LP gas fired CH and oak effect PVCu sealed unit DG, canopies entrance porch, impressive reception hall, cloakroom with wc, large well proportioned lounge, study, dining/family room, luxuriously appointed open-plan kitchen/breakfast room/living room, utility room, master bedroom with luxuriously appointed en suite bathroom, guest bedroom with en suite shower room, 3 further bedrooms and family bathroom. Ample parking and substantial detached double garage and store. Pleasant enclosed rear garden.



**22 KINGS COURT
CHURCH STRETTON
£115,000**

- Well maintained and spacious first floor apartment
- Gas fired CH, DG
- Living room, kitchen, box room
- 2 bedrooms and bathroom
- Garage and attractive communal gardens



**SIENNA
HOMER
MUCH WENLOCK
£279,500**

A spacious individual 3-bedroomed detached house with the attraction of an adjoining self-contained one-bedroomed bungalow in a peaceful, small village with delightful views approx 10 miles South East of Shrewsbury. The accommodation of the house benefits from oil fired CH, sealed unit DG and cavity wall insulation and briefly comprises: enclosed entrance porch, reception hall, lounge, dining room, kitchen, sitting room, conservatory, 3 bedrooms and bathroom. The adjoining bungalow comprises: entrance hall, living room, kitchenette, bedroom and bathroom. Ample parking and integral garage. Pleasant well stocked gardens to 3 sides.



**PANT COTTAGE
OLD CHURCHSTOKE
£285,000**

A charming, tastefully extended and well appointed 3 bedroomed detached country cottage in a totally unspoilt peaceful, rural setting, nestling amongst the hills that form the Shropshire/Powys border, approximately 20 miles south west of Shrewsbury and 1 1/2 miles from the village of Churchstoke. The accommodation benefits from oil fired CH and sealed unit DG with leaded lights and briefly comprises: dining room, sitting room, conservatory, kitchen, utility, 3 bedrooms and bathroom. Outside excellent parking facilities, large timber clad barn/workshop, greenhouse, gardens and grounds including woodlands extending to approximately 2 1/2 acres in all.



**ROCK COTTAGE
CASTLE
PULVERBATCH
£159,500**

A charming and spacious 2 bedroomed, part timbered, semi-detached cottage of character, situated in a small village approximately 8 miles south-west of Shrewsbury. The accommodation benefits from oil fired CH, PVCu sealed unit DG and a wealth of exposed beams and timbers and briefly comprises: enclosed entrance porch, reception hall, sitting room, dining/living room, rear entrance lobby, cloakroom with wc, kitchen, spacious landing, 2 bedrooms and bathroom. Small enclosed terraced garden. NO CHAIN IMMEDIATE POSSESSION AVAILABLE.



**BRADWAY
PRESCOTT ROAD
BASCHURCH
£239,950**

A spacious detached chalet residence offering generous family accommodation located in this popular village approximately 8 miles north west of Shrewsbury. The spacious and adaptable accommodation benefits from oil fired CH and sealed unit DG and briefly comprises: entrance hall, cloakroom with WC, reception hall/dining room, living room, fitted breakfast kitchen, utility room, inner hall, 2 ground floor bedrooms, bathroom with shower. First floor master bedroom suite with en-suite bathroom. Driveway and parking, integral garage, gardens with outlooks over open fields to the rear.



**2 BREIDDEN VIEW
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£209,500**

A well appointed and most attractive, modern 4 bedroom detached house, in a slightly elevated village cul-de-sac position, approximately 12 miles west of Shrewsbury and 6 miles from Welsphool. The accommodation benefits from oil fired CH and sealed unit DG and briefly comprises: recessed entrance porch, reception hall, lounge, kitchen/dining room, utility room, cloakroom with wc, study, master bedroom with en suite shower room, 3 further bedrooms and bathroom. Ample parking, gardens planned for ease of maintenance. No upward chain.



**THE OLD SMITHY
NESSCLIFFE**
£249,500

A most attractively designed 4 bedroom detached cottage in a pleasant and convenient village setting, approximately 7.5 miles north west of Shrewsbury and 1 mile from the A5.
The property has been tastefully enlarged from the original cottage to provide comfortable accommodation benefiting from oil fired heating and sealed unit DG and briefly comprising: reception hall, cloakroom, sitting room, spacious kitchen/dining room, utility room, master bedroom with en suite bathroom, 3 further bedrooms and second bathroom. Parking and integral garage. Enclosed easily managed gardens. No chain immediate possession available.



**IVYDENE
GARREG BANK
TREVERN**
£249,950

A beautifully presented and attractively designed modern 4 bedroomed detached family house in a pleasant and convenient village position with views over open countryside to the fore, towards Long Mountain, approximately 15 miles west of Shrewsbury and 5 miles from Welshpool.
The accommodation benefits from oil fired CH and PVCu sealed unit DG and briefly comprises: Entrance porch, reception hall, cloakroom with wc, lounge, dining room, study, spacious fitted kitchen/breakfast room, utility room, master bedroom with shower room en-suite, second bedroom with shower room en-suite, 2 further bedrooms and bathroom. Ample parking and detached double garage, pleasantly landscaped gardens. NO CHAIN IMMEDIATE POSSESSION AVAILABLE



**19 NOBOLD
BASCHURCH**
£125,000

- A mature, 2-bedroomed semi-detached cottage
- 2 bedrooms and bathroom
- Planning Permission to extend
- Good sized garden
- No chain immediate possession.



**2 MEADOW COURT
PLOX GREEN ROAD
MINSTERLEY**
£237,500

A well appointed, most attractively designed, modern, 3 bedroom link-detached chalet bungalow in a pleasant fringe of village position with open views to the fore and rear, approximately 10 miles south west of Shrewsbury.
The accommodation benefits from gas fired CH, sealed unit DG and cavity wall insulation and briefly comprises; a most attractive entrance hall, cloakroom with wc, lounge, conservatory, fitted kitchen/dining room, ground floor bedroom with en suite bathroom, 2 first floor bedrooms and shower room. Ample parking and garage. Easily managed garden. No chain immediate possession available.



**ORCHARD COTTAGE
STRETTON HEATH
WATTLEBOROUGH**
£395,000

A charming, Cardeston stone, 3-bedroomed detached country cottage in a peaceful rural position with views over the surrounding countryside approximately 9 miles west of Shrewsbury.
The accommodation benefits from oil-fired heating and PVCu sealed unit DG to most windows and briefly comprises: - enclosed entrance porch, sitting room, inner hall, dining/living room, inner lobby, cloakroom/shower room with wc, conservatory/garden room, kitchen/breakfast room, side entrance lobby, master bedroom with bathroom en suite, 2 further bedrooms. Excellent parking facilities, detached double garage and workshop/store, greenhouse and store. Delightful gardens of approximately 1/2 an acre in all. No upward chain.



**OAK COTTAGE
STANTON-UPON-
HINE-HEATH**
£249,950

An attractively designed, modern, 3 bedroom detached house, pleasantly situated in a small north Shropshire village approximately 9 miles north east of Shrewsbury. NO CHAIN.
The accommodation benefits from oil fired CH and dark wood effect PVCu sealed unit DG and briefly comprises; entrance hall, lounge, dining room, study, inner hall, cloakroom with wc, kitchen, utility room, master bedroom with en suite shower room, 2 further double bedrooms and bathroom. Parking for 2 cars and garage, which has been adapted to provide gym and store. Easily managed gardens enjoying privacy and shelter to the rear.



COOPERS COTTAGE, CAERNARVON LANE, WITHINGTON

An attractive 3-bedroomed, part thatched and black & white Grade II listed Detached Cottage with superb interior set in Village close to Shrewsbury.

Hall, drawing room, dining room, kitchen/breakfast room with AGA, cloakroom, 3 bedrooms (1 en suite) and family bathroom. Detached garage and workshop with office over, ample parking, Established garden.

£495,000



**3 THE HAWTHORNS
BROCKTON**
£115,000

- A modern, semi-detached residence in a cul-de-sac position
- 2 bedrooms and bathroom
- Living room, dining kitchen
- Electric heating and DG
- Views over open fields to the rear



**16 OAKFIELDS
BROCKTON
WORTHEN**
£110,000

- Mature semi-detached house in need of modernisation
- 3 bedrooms and bathroom
- Living room, sitting room, kitchen
- Night storage heating, well stocked garden
- Pleasant village position



**THE BUNGALOW
HOLLYHURST
LEEOTWOOD**
£395,000

A beautifully appointed, newly improved and enlarged 4-bedroomed detached country dorrer bungalow residence in an unspoilt picturesque rural setting approximately 10 miles south of Shrewsbury with views towards The Longmynd to the fore and The Lawley and Caradoc Hills to the rear.
The accommodation benefits from newly installed oil-fired CH, newly installed PVCu DG, newly fitted carpets as laid and new quality kitchen and bathroom fittings and briefly comprises: - entrance porch, reception hall, lounge, superb kitchen/dining/living room, ground floor master bedroom with shower room en suite, second bedroom and bathroom, galleried landing, 2 first floor bedrooms and second bathroom. Excellent parking facilities to the fore and side and good sized gardens with orchard. No chain, immediate possession available.



**WOODLEA
46 LUDLOW ROAD
CHURCH STRETTON**
£375,000

An individual and spacious 5 bedroomed detached house of character in a pleasant and convenient situation approximately half a mile south of the town centre and 13 miles south of Shrewsbury.
The accommodation benefits from gas fired CH and briefly comprises: porch, entrance hall, cloakroom with WC, sitting room, study/hall, inner hall, living room/dining room, kitchen, rear hall/laundry, master bedroom with dressing room, 4 further bedrooms and bathroom. Workshop and integral garage. Good sized gardens and woodland extending to approximately 2 thirds of an acre in all.



**RUYTON GRANGE
MILL LANE
RUYTON XI TOWNS**
£495,000

A most impressive, beautifully designed, spacious and immaculately appointed, modern 4 bedroom detached house, approx 10 miles north west of Shrewsbury.
GF CH and PVCu sealed unit DG, canopied entrance porch, reception hall, cloakroom with wc, lounge, sitting room, dining room, superb open-plan family room with adjoining garden room and luxuriously fitted kitchen, side entrance lobby, master bedroom with en suite bathroom, guest bedroom with en-suite bathroom, 2 further bedrooms each with en-suite shower rooms. Large forecourt with ample parking and integral double garage with utility area. Fully enclosed attractively landscaped private gardens.



**10 ALLOE BROOK
MONTFORD BRIDGE**
£329,500

A most attractively designed and well appointed modern 4 bedroomed detached family house in a secluded position within a private cul-de-sac with a pleasant outlook over its own wooded front garden, with a sunny aspect to the rear. Approximately 5 miles north-west of Shrewsbury.
The accommodation benefits from oil fired CH and sealed unit DG and briefly comprises: entrance porch, reception hall, cloakroom with wc, well proportioned lounge, good sized dining room, kitchen/breakfast room, utility room, master bedroom with dressing room and shower room en-suite, 3 further bedrooms and family bathroom. Parking and brick built double garage. Wooded front garden and fully enclosed rear garden.



THE WHEAT HOUSE, WHEATHALL, DORRINGTON

An attractive characterful 4 1/2 bedroom Country House in secluded location set within large gardens approx 7 miles south of Shrewsbury, amidst lovely open countryside.

Hall, four reception including; drawing room, dining room, morning room, breakfast room, kitchen with solid fuel fired AGA, double master bedroom with dressing room, 3/4 further bedrooms which includes a double and a box room and bathroom. Double bay Coach House with loft, double garage, plus a variety of useful outbuildings. Large established gardens of approx 1.1 acres.

£595,000



**5 BATH MEWS
MINSTERLEY**
£141,995

- A 3-storey terraced house
- Gas-fired CH, PVCu sealed unit DG
- Hall, cloakroom, living room, kitchen
- 4 bedrooms, en suite shower room, bathroom
- 2 parking spaces, garden.



**RIVERSDALE
SCHOOL ROAD
RUYTUN XI TOWNS**
£119,500

- A mature, semi-detached country cottage of character
- 2 bedrooms, bathroom
- Hall, living room, dining kitchen
- Conservatory, gas-fired CH and DG
- Small patio garden and 2 parking spaces.



**HOLLY HOUSE
WILCOTT**
£425,000

An attractively appointed, substantial, 4 bedroom, period detached country house, in an extremely pleasant rural setting, approximately 9 miles north west of Shrewsbury.
The accommodation has the benefit of Oil fired central heating and double glazing and briefly comprises; entrance porch, central hall, cloakroom, sitting room, dining room, kitchen/breakfast room, snug/family room, utility room, 4 double bedrooms and bathroom. Excellent parking and turning facilities. Timber built outbuildings providing storage and workshop space. Good sized informal gardens.



**5 RURAL COTTAGES
CHURCH PREEN**
£199,950

- A delightfully situated, extended, 3-bed semi-detached house
- Oil-fired central CH and unit DG
- Entrance hall, lounge, dining room, kitchen, bathroom
- 3 bedrooms and wc
- Parking and garage, good sized rear garden with



**35 PARK MEADOW
MINSTERLEY**
£129,500

- Most attractive modern terraced house
- Gas fired CH and sealed unit DG
- Spacious open-plan kitchen/living room, garden room/conservatory
- 3 beds, bathroom
- Ample parking, detached garage, decked terrace garden

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FLAT 2 13A CASTLE STREET SHREWSBURY

Mature second floor flat in the town centre • 2 Double bedrooms • Hallway • Living room / kitchen with fridge & washing machine • Shower room • Carpets & curtains • Electric heaters
£425 pcm



67 THE PADDOCKS GAINS PARK

Deceptively spacious terraced residence • 1 Double landing bedroom • Kitchen with fridge/freezer/dining area with table & chairs • Sitting room with sofa bed & settee • Shower room • Carpets & blinds • Parking • Garden
£425 pcm



7 COPTHORNE GATE COPTHORNE ROAD

Second floor apartment • Double bedroom with wardrobes • Kitchen with oven/hob & washing machine • Sitting room • Bathroom with shower • Carpets • Electric storage heating • Communal gardens • Parking
£460 pcm



17 COTON HILL SHREWSBURY

Period cottage with spectacular views over the river to the rear • Double bedroom • Kitchen • Lounge • Open plan dining area • Bathroom • Carpets • Electric Storage Heating
£475 pcm



STATION HOUSE STATION ROAD HADNALL

Mature semi-detached house • 2 bedrooms (1 double, 1 single) • Lounge • Dining room/kitchen with cooker • Bathroom • GCH • Double glazing • Parking
£500 pcm



54B NEW PARK STREET CASTLEFIELDS

Modern terrace in cul-de-sac position • 2 bedrooms • Lounge • Dining room/kitchen with oven/hob • Bathroom with shower • GCH • Double glazed • Carpets • Parking • Gardens
£550 pcm



3 CORNHOUSE APARTMENTS 59A WYLE COP

Second floor town centre apartment • 2 double bedrooms • Hallway • Living room • Kitchen with oven/hob • Bathroom with electric shower • Electric heating • Carpets
£550 pcm



2 WATERGATE MANSIONS ST MARYS PLACE

Ground floor apartment • 2 Double bedrooms with wardrobes • Kitchen with appliances • Sitting room • Bathroom with shower • Carpets • Electric storage heating • Parking space • Small patio area
£575 pcm



2 WHITELODGE PARK SHAWBURY

Well presented semi detached property • 3 bedrooms • Fitted kitchen • Living room • Dining room • Conservatory • Bathroom • Carpets & curtains • GCH • Front & rear gardens
£595 pcm



3 WALCOT ROAD RODINGTON

Newly carpeted semi detached house overlooking open countryside • 3 Bedrooms (2 double, 1 single) • Kitchen • Sitting room with open fire • Bathroom • Carpets • OCH • Large gardens with sheds • Parking
£595 pcm



214 THE CEDARS ABBEE FOREGATE

Well maintained retirement apartment for the over 55s • 2 double bedrooms • Kitchen • Sitting room • Bathroom • Carpets • Electric storage heating • Parking • Communal gardens
£600 pcm



19 ALVERLEY CLOSE COPTHORNE

Detached family bungalow • 3 Bedrooms • Sitting room • Dining room • Kitchen • Cloakroom • Bathroom with shower attachment • Carpets • GCH • Garage • Gardens
£625 pcm



KELD ANNSCROFT

Mature detached country bungalow about 5 miles south west of Shrewsbury • 3 bedrooms (2 double, 1 single) • Kitchen • Sitting room • Dining room • Conservatory • Bathroom with shower • GCH
£675 pcm



CHAPEL HOUSE MAESBROOK OSWESTRY

Mature detached property • 4 Bedrooms • Cloakroom/shower room • Living room • Dining room • Sitting room • Kitchen • Utility room • Bathroom with shower • Garden • Car parking • OCH • Carpets
£695 pcm



10 PAXTON PLACE COPTHORNE

Recently decorated & carpeted detached house in pleasant cul de sac position available long term • 3 bedrooms • 1 with en suite • kitchen with cooker/hob • Sitting room • Bathroom • Carpets • GCH • Garden • Garage & driveway
£695 pcm



5 CHESTNUT CLOSE FOUR CROSSES

Modern detached house • 4 bedrooms (2 with en suite) • Cloakroom • Lounge • Sitting room • Conservatory • Study • Kitchen/breakfast room • Utility room • Bathroom • OCH • Gardens • Integral garage & parking
£700 pcm



42 BISHOP STREET CHERRY ORCHARD

Mature semi detached • 3 bedrooms • Living room • Dining room • Conservatory • Kitchen with fridge, freezer & cooker • Bathroom with shower • GCH • Carpets • Garden • On street parking
£750 pcm



THE OLD SMITHY NESSCLIFFE

Attractive detached cottage • 4 bedrooms (2 double & 2 single, master with ensuite) • Cloakroom • Lounge • Spacious kitchen/diner • Utility room • Bathroom • Carpets • OCH • Garage & parking • Garden
£850 pcm



75 FALCONS WAY MYTTON OAK

Modern detached house with outstanding rear views over open countryside, quietly located in cul de sac position close to hospitals & available long term • 4 bedrooms (3 double, 1 single - 1 en suite) • Kitchen with appliances • Lounge with balcony • Dining room • Bathroom with shower • Cloakroom • Study • Carpets • GCH • Garden, driveway & garage
£850 pcm



16 NEW COLLEGE ROAD OFF LONDON ROAD

Spacious detached family house located in a sought after residential area • 4 double bedrooms (3 with built in wardrobes) • Cloakroom • Kitchen/breakfast room with integrated dishwasher & fridge, cooker • Kitchen table & chairs • Sitting room • Dining room • Utility room • Bathroom with shower • Garden with large shed • Garage & driveway • GCH • Carpets
£950 pcm



1 COB GROVE BOMERE HEATH

Spacious detached dormer bungalow • 5 bedrooms (1 with en suite) • Hallway • Open plan kitchen/dining room • Lounge • Bathroom with shower • Carpets • GCH • Double glazing • Gardens • Garage
£975 pcm



20 PENGWERN ROAD PORTHILL

Spacious detached family house located in much sought after residential area close to all amenities and within a four minute walk of town centre • 3 double bedrooms (master with ensuite) • Kitchen • Utility • Lounge • Conservatory • Study/4th bedroom • Bathroom with shower • GCH • Carpets • Garden • Garage & driveway
£1,200 pcm



ST CHADS FARM HOPTON

Spacious detached newly built country residence in pleasant hamlet north west of Shrewsbury • 5 double bedrooms (2 with ensuite) • Entrance hallway • Cloakroom • Sitting room lounge • Living kitchen • Through lounge/dining room • Study • Utility room • Family bathroom • Double glazing • Gardens • Garage & parking • OCH
£1,450 pcm



WOODBURY HOUSE 2 WESTFIELDS CHURCH STRETTON

Detached spacious residence with views of the Stretton Hills • 4 bedrooms (2 with ensuite) • Lounge • Dining room • Snug • Conservatory • Kitchen with appliances • Utility • WC • Dressing room • Bathroom • Integrated annex with own access featuring: Kitchen, lounge, bedroom, Shower room, • GCH • Double garage & parking • Gardens
£1,500 pcm

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**INCLUDING 2 BED
HOLIDAY LET**

Nant Mawr, Oswestry

A detached stone former farmhouse, set in grounds extending to approx 1.94 acres, range of out-buildings incorporating a two bedroom holiday let. Hall, sitting room, family room/dining room, large kitchen/breakfast room, WC, four bedrooms, family bathroom, family shower room. DG, oil CH, pretty cottage style gardens to the rear overlooking countryside, heated outdoor swimming pool. Annex; hall, open plan kitchen/living area, downstairs bedroom, bathroom, second mezzanine bedroom, with its own private garden away from the main house. Double garage, two stables, adjoining tack room/store.

Guide Price: £635,000

2927



Hazler Road, Church Stretton

A 1930's gentleman's residence, situated in this small luxury gated development offering spacious accommodation comprising; entrance porch, feature entrance hall, drawing room, dining room, sun room, kitchen, breakfast room/study, utility room, back hallway, boot room, boiler room, cloakroom, landing, five bedrooms, two bathrooms, and a shower room. The property is situated on the outskirts of the popular market town of Church Stretton and has the benefits of oil CH, garaging, well maintained gardens and elevated views over the town and Shropshire hills.

VIEWING STRICTLY BY APPOINTMENT

Guide Price: £485,000

2989



NO CHAIN

Plealey

A substantial period barn conversion situated in the extremely desirable village of Plealey, located approx six miles south west of Shrewsbury. Extensive accommodation; hall, large inner hallway, vaulted sitting room, dining room, kitchen/breakfast room, study, large family room, boot room/store room, downstairs cloakroom, utility room, master bedroom with en-suite shower room, three further double bedrooms, family bathroom. Set in good sized gardens enjoying lovely open outlooks over countryside towards Pontesbury and Pontesford Hills. Gas CH, oak framed DG, large garage, further carport with workshop above.

Guide Price: £465,000

2853



**SMALLHOLDING
ALMOST 7 ACRES**

Ford, Nr Shrewsbury

A registered smallholding comprising a delightful period, detached stone built country house, dating back approx 200 years, having dual oil and solid fuel CH, mainly uPVC DG, numerous outbuildings, large garaging/workshop, gardens, four paddocks, amounting in all to nearly seven acres or thereabouts. Occupying a convenient position in the village, about four and a half miles west of Shrewsbury. Lounge, dining room, sitting room, kitchen/breakfast room with large pantry, utility room/WC, four bedrooms, family bathroom.

Guide Price: £465,000

2885



**INCLUDING SINGLE
BUILDING PLOT**

High Street, Clive

A substantial mature property, situated on the outskirts of the village Clive, set in gardens and grounds extending to approx 0.5 acre, with the added benefits of OPP for a detached single storey dwelling within the existing gardens. Large reception hall, sitting room, dining room, study, large kitchen/breakfast room, utility room, downstairs WC, boot room, large master bedroom, further guest room with en-suite shower room, two further double bedrooms, family bathroom, cloakroom/WC. Hardwood DG, gas CH, good sized double garage block.

Guide Price: £459,500

2834



REAR VIEW

Hall Bank, Pontesbury

An extremely spacious substantial detached family house with oil CH, uPVC DG, ample parking, large double garage, gardens to three sides and grassed paddock to the rear together. Occupying a pleasant semi rural position with delightful views, within very short walking distance of the village centre. Hall, cloak, WC, three receptions, kitchen/breakfast room, utility, conservatory, four bedrooms, en-suite bathroom, en-suite shower room, large family bathroom. On the second floor is a very large multi-purpose room which could be used as extra bedroom accommodation, games room, further office etc.

Guide Price: £435,000

2824



**INSPECTION HIGHLY
RECOMMENDED**

Station Road, Pontesbury

A spacious, detached property occupying a private yet central position in this popular village within walking distance of local amenities. Porch, feature reception hall, sitting room, dining room, family room/study, large conservatory, luxury fitted kitchen/breakfast room with adjoining utility, four good sized double bedrooms, en-suite bathroom, family bathroom. The property has quality fittings throughout and has been maintained to a high standard, PVC DG, gas CH, good sized single garage attached garage, ample parking to the front, and private good size cottage gardens to the rear.

Guide Price: £425,000

2931



**INSPECTION HIGHLY
RECOMMENDED**

Grinshill, Shrewsbury

An individually designed detached house occupying a lovely position on the outskirts of this highly desirable village, approx six miles north of Shrewsbury. Accommodation on two floors the majority being on the upper floor and giving access to the upper garden. 1st floor landing, sitting room, dining room/family room, kitchen breakfast room, utility, bathroom, master bedroom with en-suite, two further bedrooms, study/bed 5, conservatory, on the lower floor is hall, cloakroom, studio/bed 4 and garaging. Enjoying lovely elevated views over countryside, good size gardens offer a high degree of privacy.

Guide Price: £425,000

2909



**EXTREMELY SPACIOUS
SUPERBLY LOCATED**

Great Ness, Shrewsbury

An extremely spacious and superbly located four double bedroom detached family house having oil CH, UPVC DG, double garage, ample parking and large gardens. The very spacious accommodation is immaculately presented, comprising; porch, reception hall, 26' living room, 26' kitchen/dining room, large family room, study, ground floor WC and rear hall/utility, landing, four double bedrooms, contemporary en-suite shower room, and luxurious family bathroom.

Guide Price: £379,000



The Bog, Minsterley

An extremely spacious, extended stone built, detached country character residence, set amidst large garden grounds, adjacent to fields and enjoying views towards Stiperstones. The whole extends to 0.61 acre or thereabouts, it occupies a secluded and private position in this lovely rural area. DG, solid fuel CH, solar panels, many period features. Hall, sitting room, dining room, living room, kitchen/breakfast room, utility room, ground floor shower room with WC, conservatory style rear passageway to studio room/office/bedroom 4, landing, three bedrooms and family bathroom.

Guide Price: £365,000

2901



Hazler Road, Church Stretton

A substantial, partly constructed, property situated in an elevated position off a private driveway. The main structure of the house has been completed but completion of internal works is required, with scope to provide the following: large hall, drawing room, kitchen/breakfast room, dining room, utility, downstairs cloak, large integral double garage, large gallery landing/sitting area, master bedroom with proposal for en-suite dressing room, en-suite and balcony, bed two with proposed en-suite and balcony, bed three with proposed en-suite, further room/office approached from a secondary staircase presently not in situ, further large landing area and two large double bedrooms both with proposed en-suites on the top floor.

Guide Price: £350,000

2988



Montford Bridge, Shrewsbury

A detached bungalow located in the pretty hamlet of Mytton, situated six miles north-west of the market town of Shrewsbury with entrance lobby, large central reception hall, sitting room with log burner, dining room, kitchen/breakfast room, utility room/side hallway, master bedroom with en-suite bathroom, two further bedrooms and family shower room, propane gas central heating, PVC double glazing and attached single garage. The property has the benefit of recently refitted solar panels which supply surplus electricity. Contact agents for further details.

Guide Price: £350,000



Astley Court, Astley

A spacious, superbly appointed, detached barn conversion, enjoying a pleasant position within this courtyard setting in the village of Astley, located about four miles north east of Shrewsbury. Converted about 17 years ago it has been considerably updated by the present owners, having gas CH, wood framed DG, parking and courtyard style gardens. Reception hall, cloakroom/WC, living room, conservatory, farmhouse style kitchen/dining room, family room/office, utility room, part gallery landing, four good sized bedrooms, en-suite shower room, family bathroom.

Guide Price: £340,000

2943



**WITH LARGE
DOUBLE GARAGE**

Beeches Lane, Shrewsbury

A third floor penthouse apartment occupying a central location within the town centre, enjoying lovely views over the rooftops and having the benefit of a substantial outside space having large decking area and balconies. Entrance hall, central hallway, open plan living area with sitting room area, dining room area and fitted kitchen; three double bedrooms (one with en-suite shower room, one Jack & Jill bathroom serving the other two bedrooms) and further cloakroom with WC, Wood framed double glazing, electric heating and an extremely large double tandem garage providing parking for two cars plus storage.

Guide Price: £325,000



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**WITH OUTBUILDINGS,
STABLING & 4.73 ACRES**

Gravels Bank, Minsterley

An attractive detached country cottage of character with oil CH, uPVC DG, garage, gardens, stabling for 10, barn/storage buildings and four paddocks, the whole amounting to approx 4.73 acres or thereabouts. The property is currently used as a small pony stud, occupies a delightful elevated rural position set amidst open countryside, enjoying pleasant views towards the Stiperstones. It is about four miles from Minsterley with a range of local amenities, and about 14 miles from Shrewsbury. Porch, hall, living room, dining room, fitted kitchen, utility, three bedrooms, bathroom.

Guide Price: £350,000

2942



NO CHAIN

Poplar Drive, Leighton

An extremely spacious and impressive detached bungalow built to a high specification having NHBC warranty. Oil CH, DG, very large garaging block, lawned gardens to front and rear. Hall, living room, dining room, kitchen breakfast room, utility room, four bedrooms, en-suite shower room, and family bathroom. Occupying a pleasant elevated cul-de-sac position and enjoying rooftop views to the front towards Welshpool.

Guide Price: £299,000

3005



**PART EXCHANGE
CONSIDERED**

Meole Village, Shrewsbury

The development consists of two detached Victorian villa style properties both offering good sized family accommodation with entrance hall, downstairs cloakroom, sitting room, large open plan kitchen/dining room/family room. On the first floor is a bedroom with en-suite shower room, two further bedrooms and a family bathroom and on the second floor is a master bedroom with further en-suite shower room, Wood framed double glazed sash windows, gas fired central heating, landscaped easily maintained gardens, and off street parking for two vehicles. Prospective purchasers will have a choice of kitchen units with a range of built in appliances.

Guide Price: £285,000 each



**INSPECTION
RECOMMENDED**

Ashford Drive, Pontesbury

A very spacious, recently modernised, detached bungalow, with gas CH, DG, double tandem garage, ample parking, and good size gardens. Reception hall, living room, superbly equipped kitchen/dining room, large conservatory, three bedrooms, en-suite shower room, and family bathroom. Occupying a pleasant and very convenient position on the fringe of this popular village, having a wide range of local amenities.

Guide Price: £285,000

2390



**WITH OPEN ASPECT
TO THE REAR**

Keelton Close, Balmoral Grange

An attractive modern, spacious, five bedroom detached family house having gas CH, DG, garage, parking and gardens. The rear gardens enjoy delightful open outlook. The property occupies a very pleasant and convenient cul-de-sac position, in this sought after residential locality close to a range of local amenities and only about one mile from Shrewsbury town centre. Reception hall, cloaks/WC, living room, dining room, kitchen/breakfast room, utility room, landing, five bedrooms, en-suite shower room, family bathroom.

NO CHAIN

Guide Price: £279,000

2938



**INTERNAL INSPECTION
RECOMMENDED**

The Gravels, Minsterley

A detached stone and rendered cottage offering extensive accommodation; small entrance hall, sitting room, dining room with stone built inglenook fireplace and log burner, good size kitchen breakfast room, large master bedroom, guest bedroom with en-suite bathroom, two further bedrooms, family shower room. Oil CH, wood framed DG, stone built detached garage, good off road parking, good size gardens to the rear and side although a good proportion of them are sloping.

Guide Price: £275,000

2880



NO CHAIN

Stiperstones, Minsterley

An immaculate detached bungalow offering well presented accommodation; hall, sitting room, dining room, large conservatory with log burner, contemporary fitted kitchen, utility room, three good sized double bedrooms and bathroom. The property benefits from oil CH, well kept good sized gardens to the front and rear and enjoys open outlooks over surrounding fields and countryside.

Guide Price: £265,000



NO CHAIN

Shrewsbury Road, Bomere Heath

A four double bedroom detached family house which has recently been completely refurbished and renovated to include re-wiring, re-plumbing, a new luxury kitchen with appliances, two new bathrooms and newly fitted carpets, gas fired central heating, uPVC sealed unit double glazing, parking for several vehicles and very good sized gardens to the front and the rear. Porch, very large impressive reception hall, living room, study, superb kitchen/breakfast room, two large double bedrooms and family bathroom with WC. Off the first floor landing are two further large bedrooms and second family bathroom with WC.

Guide Price: £259,950



Grange Lane, Condover

A rare opportunity to acquire a brand new detached cottage style property occupying a central location in the much sought after village of Condover. The property is currently under construction but ultimately will offer the following accommodation; large reception hall, through sitting room, kitchen/dining room, utility room with WC. Upstairs there is a master bedroom with en-suite shower room, two further bedrooms and family bathroom. The property will be sold with the benefits of gas fired central heating, PVC double glazing and a detached garage. At present, prospective purchasers can have a choice of kitchens and bathrooms, however as the property nears conclusion this opportunity will be lost.

Guide Price: £259,950



**PART EXCHANGE
CONSIDERED**

Ardleen, Llanymynech

A deceptively spacious, individual, detached family house, with oil CH, wood framed DG, garage, ample parking, good sized garden to the rear. Occupying a very pleasant position in the village in an elevated position with a lovely outlook to the front, situated about six miles from Welshpool, and nine miles from Oswestry. Porch, reception hall, 22' lounge, 27' living room/dining room/kitchen, utility room, WC, four double bedrooms, luxury en-suite shower room, family bathroom.

Guide Price: £250,000



**BRAND NEW UPVC
CONSERVATORY**

Eleanor Harris Road, Baschurch

An extremely attractive and spacious, double fronted, detached family house with gas CH with newly fitted boiler, DG, garage, ample parking, and delightful landscaped gardens. Reception hall, through living room, dining room, kitchen, utility room, WC, brand new uPVC conservatory, landing, three bedrooms, newly fitted en-suite shower room, family bathroom. Occupying a very pleasant cul-de-sac position in this popular residential village close to a comprehensive range of amenities, being about nine miles north west of Shrewsbury.

Guide Price: £235,000

2721



CASH OFFERS ONLY

Myddlewood, Myddle

A freehold, three bedroom, detached country cottage, having gas CH, uPVC DG, carport, onsite parking, and gardens amounting in all to nearly 1/3 of an acre or thereabouts. The property, parts of which are believed to date back over to 1740, is in need of complete modernisation and renovation. Hall, living room, dining room, family room/snug, kitchen/breakfast room, utility room, ground floor bathroom/WC, and three bedrooms on the first floor.

Guide Price: £235,000

2949



**SUPERBLY LOCATED
PRIVATE POSITION**

Brook Street, Belle Vue

An individually detached bungalow occupying an extremely private and secluded position in the popular area of Belle Vue. Entrance vestibule, large central reception hall, lounge/dining room, kitchen, three bedrooms, bathroom. Gas CH, aluminium framed DG, single concrete sectional detached garage. The property requires general modernisation and upgrading and is situated in lovely private gardens offering a high degree of privacy.

Guide Price: £235,000

2954



**'INSPECTION HIGHLY
RECOMMENDED'**

Bont Dolgadfan, Llanbrynmair

A spacious three bedroomed detached cottage with inglenook fireplace with bread oven, exposed stonework and some beams, covered porch, hall, sitting room, lounge/dining room, kitchen, three bedrooms and family shower room. Multi fuel room fire, Economy 7 electric night storage heating, top quality UPVC double glazing with the exception of one window, extra large garaging and very good sized gardens in all approx 1/3 of an acre or thereabouts.

Guide Price: £234,000

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Llandrinio, Llanymynech

An attractive and deceptively spacious detached dornier style house with oil CH, uPVC DG, ample parking, garage, and garden. Occupying a very convenient position in the village, about 12 miles from Shrewsbury. Reception hall, living room, dining room, recently fitted luxury kitchen/breakfast room, utility room, ground floor bedroom and bathroom, landing, three further good size bedrooms, and separate WC.

Guide Price: £232,500

2190



The Bog, Minsterley

A detached cottage occupying an idyllic location set in the south Shropshire hills, entrance porch, sitting room with log burner, kitchen/breakfast room, utility room, small study, downstairs bathroom, upstairs there is one double and one single bedroom. The property sits in gardens and small paddock area extending to 0.83 of an acre or thereabouts with a large galvanised and timber constructed shed/carport and further block built former shippon which would make an ideal store/workshop.

Guide Price: £230,000



Broome, Aston on Clun

A well presented semi detached bungalow occupying a central position in the pretty hamlet of Broome, situated approximately 3 1/2 miles from Craven Arms. Entrance porch, inner hallway, sitting room, conservatory, kitchen, utility room, shower room, two double bedrooms and family bathroom. PVC DG throughout, oil fired central heating and ample parking together with large single timber garage and adjoining workshop, summer house. The gardens are particularly noteworthy, running to a good size with further large chicken run situated to the rear.

Guide Price: £220,000



INSPECTION HIGHLY RECOMMENDED

Llanwyddelan, Newtown

An extremely spacious four double bedroomed semi detached family house, originally dating back to about 1900 having been considerably extended and superbly modernised. Oil fired central heating, UPVC sealed unit double glazing, ample parking and delightful gardens. The spacious and versatile accommodation is presented to a very high standard including many features and refinements and is worthy of a full inspection. Reception hall, sitting room, living room/dining room, kitchen/breakfast room, utility room, ground floor WC and on the first floor, large landing, four double bedrooms, contemporary en-suite shower room with WC and superbly equipped family bathroom with WC.

Guide Price: £205,000



Snailbeach, Minsterley

An attractive, extremely spacious, semi-detached character cottage, with oil CH, mostly sealed unit DG, garage and large elevated gardens with raised decking area enjoying magnificent views to the front. Occupying a central elevated position in the village, about two miles from the large village of Minsterley having a range of amenities, and being about 13 miles southwest of Shrewsbury. Hallway, inner reception hall, dining room, kitchen/breakfast room, utility room, living room, sitting room/conservatory, WC, large store/passageway, three bedrooms, very large five piece bathroom, first floor decking area.

Guide Price: £199,950

2736



Lower Cross, Cross Houses

A deceptively spacious and superbly modernised, extended semi detached family house with good sized gardens and ample on-site parking. The property also has the benefit of garaging block including single garage, double glazed office and shower room with WC, and occupies a pleasant position in this popular village with a variety of local amenities. The property is superbly presented and offers reception hall, living room, dining room opening into magnificently appointed kitchen/family room, ground floor bathroom, three bedrooms and shower room.

Guide Price: £198,500



Tankerville Street, Cherry Orchard

A spacious, mature semi-detached house offering accommodation on three floors comprising: entrance hall, sitting room, dining room, kitchen, first floor landing, double bedroom and large bathroom, second floor landing, two further double bedrooms. The property has gas fired CH, private rear garden, conveniently situated being within easy walking distance of local amenities and the town centre itself.

Guide Price: £192,000

2884



Stiperstones, Snailbeach

A deceptively spacious, detached dornier bungalow, oil CH, part uPVC and part hardwood frame DG, ample parking, garden area to side and rear, bounded on two sides by rockface. It occupies a very pleasant semi-rural position on the fringe of the village, about four miles from Minsterley. Hall, large living room/dining room, fitted kitchen, ground floor bathroom, ground floor double bedroom, large utility room, staircase to first floor, further double bedroom with door to area ready for en-suite, small box room and two further potential bedrooms either side of the stairwell.

Guide Price: £179,950



Kinnerley, Oswestry

A well presented semi-detached property situated in a lovely location on the outskirts of the village of Kinnerley, enjoying lovely views over brook and woodland to the rear. Hall, downstairs cloakroom, sitting room, kitchen/dining room, three bedrooms and family bathroom. Oil CH, PVC DG, large detached single garage, lovely rear gardens set in two sections running down to feature brook and enjoying lovely open outlooks. The village of Kinnerley has a good assortment of amenities including church, pub, shop and primary school.

Guide Price: £177,500

3016



Callow Crescent, Minsterley

An attractive and extremely spacious, considerably extended, semi-detached family house, having gas CH, DG, garage, sheds and very good size gardens. Hall, living room, dining room opening into kitchen/breakfast room, utility room, ground floor cloak/WC, landing, four bedrooms and family bathroom. It occupies a pleasant and very convenient position in this popular village having a wide range of amenities within walking distance and being about 10 miles south west of Shrewsbury.

Guide Price: £173,000

2893



NO CHAIN

Moss Lane, Muckleton

A charming three bedroom semi detached cottage, having oil fired CH, uPVC DG, ample on-site parking and very good sized lawned gardens with large workshop/garden store. It is situated in the popular hamlet of Muckleton, being about four miles from Shawbury having a wide range of local amenities, about 11 miles from Shrewsbury. It occupies a delightful rural position, enjoying superb views to the front and rear over open countryside. Hall, living room, large kitchen/breakfast room, side hallway, ground floor bathroom, landing, three bedrooms and first floor WC.

Guide Price: £170,000

2987



NO CHAIN

Radbrook Green, Shrewsbury

A modern three bedroomed semi detached house, with gas fired central heating, upvc sealed unit double glazing, upvc conservatory and gardens to the front and rear, delightfully set for ease of maintenance. The accommodation briefly comprises, hall, living room, dining room, upvc conservatory, fitted kitchen, and comprehensively fitted utility room and store room. On the first floor are landing, three bedrooms and bathroom with WC. N.B The utility room and store room are the former garage and if required the partition could be removed and could be restored to garaging.

Guide Price: £169,950



NO CHAIN

King Street, Cherry Orchard

A well presented Victorian mid-terrace cottage situated in the very popular area within easy walking distance of the town centre and local amenities. Entrance hall with original tiled floor, sitting room, dining room and kitchen/breakfast room, upstairs there are two good size bedrooms, together with family bathroom. It has the benefits of partial double glazing, gas fired central heating, neatly kept manageable gardens and garage/workshop.

Guide Price: £164,900

2975



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Minsterley, Shrewsbury

A detached, double fronted, period cottage, situated on the outskirts of the village of Minsterley. With entrance porch, sitting room, dining room, kitchen, downstairs bedroom and downstairs bathroom. Upstairs there are two further bedrooms. The property has mains gas central heating, partial PVC DG and a timber and galvanised garage/workshop.

Guide Price: £159,950



Hollies Drive, Bayston Hill

An attractive, three bedroom semi-detached house, with uPVC sealed unit double glazing, GF central heating, large garage including WC, rear kitchen extension, delightful well stocked gardens which adjoin open fields and have incredible views to the rear towards Meole Brace and Shrewsbury. Reception hall, large living room / dining room, extended kitchen, large attached garage including WC, landing, three bedrooms, and bathroom.

Guide Price: £159,500

2960



Comet Drive, Shrewsbury

An attractive, three bedroom semi-detached family house, with gas CH, sealed unit DG, extra large garage and gardens to front and rear. It occupies a pleasant and very convenient position in this popular locality, close to a wide range of local amenities, and is easily accessible to Shrewsbury town centre. Reception hall, living room, dining room, kitchen, conservatory, rear hallway providing access to utility room and ground floor WC, landing, three bedrooms, family shower room.

Guide Price: £155,000

2980



Myddle, Shrewsbury

A well presented semi detached property offering with large through lounge/dining room, kitchen, three good sized bedrooms and family bathroom. The property has the benefit of PVC DG, gas fired central heating, off street parking to the front with lovely gardens to the rear enjoying open outlooks over fields and a pleasant sunny aspect.

Guide Price: £144,950



Orchard Drive, Minsterley

A good size two bedroom semi detached property, having the benefit of gas fired central heating, PVC double glazing and ample off-street parking for up to three cars incorporating space for a garage (subject to the necessary planning permission). Accommodation briefly comprises: entrance hall, sitting room/dining room, recently re-fitted kitchen, two good size bedrooms and a recently re-fitted bathroom. The property occupies a convenient location within easy walking distance of local amenities and is situated approximately nine miles south west of the county town of Shrewsbury.

Guide Price: £129,950

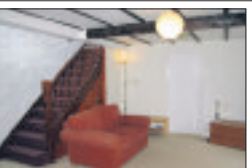


Worthen, Shrewsbury

An extremely unusual conversion, offering spacious accommodation; open plan living area incorporating sitting room and kitchen/dining area, adjoining large workshop/former garage, large master bedroom/upstairs sitting room, two further bedrooms and family bathroom. PVC DG, electric heating. It occupies a central position in the village situated approx 13 miles south-west of Shrewsbury. Please note the property does not have a garden but has an established parking space to the front.

Guide Price: £139,500

2868



Four Crosses, Llanymynech

An end of terrace mature cottage, requiring some modernisation and upgrading, with sitting room, kitchen, downstairs shower room and bedroom. The property has parking for up to four cars with small enclosed gardens to the rear. The property occupies a central position in the village, close to a range of local amenities and conveniently located for travel to Shrewsbury, Oswestry and Welshpool.

Guide Price: £79,950

2769



Four Crosses, Llanymynech

An attractive semi-detached country cottage, in need of complete modernisation and renovation, and having very good size rear garden. Living room, dining room, kitchen, inner hallway, landing, two bedrooms, and bathroom. Occupying a roadside position in the village of Four Crosses having a range of local amenities, and being easily accessible for Welshpool, Oswestry and Shrewsbury.

Guide Price: £75,000

2623



Middletown, Welshpool

An extremely well appointed and modern park home, only about one year old and having LP gas CH, uPVC DG, garden areas with shed, and communal parking. Entrance hall, living room, dining room, kitchen, bedroom, and bathroom. Occupying a very pleasant and convenient position in the village of Middletown having a variety of local amenities, which is located midway between Welshpool and Shrewsbury.

INSPECTION RECOMMENDED

Guide Price: £68,000

2382



Loppington, Wem

A parcel of development land with OPP for the erection of two detached dwellings. Plot C measures approximately 360 square metres, and Plot D measures approximately 350 square metres. The Plots are offered for sale as a pair. Contact Agents for further details.

Guide Price: £160,000

2203

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Ellesmere Road, Shrewsbury

- A second floor studio apartment
- Open plan living area and bathroom
- Gas CH, DG
- Single parking space

Available beginning of April

£275 pcm



Abbey Foregate, Shrewsbury

A selection of ground floor and first floor apartments with hallway, living room/dining room, kitchenette, one bedroom and bathroom. There is an allocated space with each apartment.

From £380 pcm

CAN4



Bicton Heath, Shrewsbury

- A Mid terrace house
- Sitting room, diner/ kitchen, two bedrooms
- Family bathroom and conservatory
- Small garden, parking
- Gas CH and DG

TO LET

£550 pcm



Osborne Close, Castlefields

- A mid terraced property
- Entrance hall, sitting room, kitchen/dining room
- Downstairs WC, Two bedrooms, bathroom, Parking space, gas CH and garden
- Within easy walking distance of the town centre
- Available Now

TO LET

£575 pcm



Wenlock Road, Shrewsbury

- A detached bungalow
- Hall, sitting room, breakfast kitchen with cooker
- Utility, two double bedrooms, en-suite shower room, bathroom
- Garden, carport and parking

Rent includes gardener Available mid April

£695 pcm



St Michaels Street, Shrewsbury

- A mid terraced mature property
- Three story within easy walking distance of Shrewsbury town centre
- Open plan living area, two bedrooms, gas CH, DG
- Small garden with on street parking

Available now

£485 pcm



Cruckton, Nr Shrewsbury

- A brand new Luxury barn conversion
- Hall, sitting room, kitchen, cloakroom
- Two bedrooms, bathroom
- Parking for two cars, communal gardens

Available Now

£675 pcm

R0456



Horton, Cruckton

- A two storey listed barn conversion
- Sitting room, kitchen/breakfast room, utility, WC
- Two bedrooms, bathroom and separate shower
- Garden and parking

Available Now

£650 pcm

R0455



Horton, Cruckton

- A brand new barn conversion
- Hall/study area, sitting room
- Kitchen/breakfast room, cloaks
- Master bedroom with en-suite shower room
- Two further bedrooms, bathroom
- DG, parking, communal garden, option on garage

£750 pcm

R0455



Wallop, Westbury

- A mature detached house
- Hall, sitting room, dining room
- Study, kitchen, cloakroom/shower room
- Three bedrooms, family bathroom
- Oil CH, garage, garden, outbuildings, plus 4.75 acres of land

Available early April

£875 pcm

R0466



Dorrington, Nr Shrewsbury

- A semi-detached house conversion
- Hall, sitting room, kitchen
- Two double bedrooms
- En-suite, family bathroom
- Oil CH, allocated parking space
- Available fully furnished if required for £795 pcm

Available Now

£700 pcm

R0449



Frodesley, Shrewsbury

- A Grade II Listed, mid terrace of three, luxury barn conversion
- Reception hall, sitting room, luxury fitted kitchen/dining room, downstairs cloakroom
- Master bedroom with en-suite shower, two double bedrooms, family bathroom
- Gas CH, parking, good sized gardens

Available Now

£800 pcm

R0329



Leebootwood, Church Stretton

- A Grade II Listed, brand new barn conversion
- Hall, sitting room, dining room, kitchen/breakfast area, downstairs WC
- Four bedrooms, en-suite, family bathroom. Double garage
- Land and stables available by separate negotiation

Available now

£775 pcm

R0547



Briar Close, Minsterley

- A mature detached bungalow
- Hall, cloakroom, sitting room
- Kitchen with some appliances, inner hallway
- Two bedrooms, and bathroom
- Gas CH, gardens, shed.

Available Now

£500 pcm

R0441



Minsterley, Shropshire

- A semi detached period cottage
- Entrance hall, sitting room, dining room
- Study, kitchen, downstairs shower room, four bedrooms
- Family bathroom, There is a large garden with single garage with additional parking

£595 pcm



Hyssington, Churchstoke

- A Grade II listed black & white former farmhouse
- Hall, sitting room, parlour, kitchen/diner
- Two bedrooms and family bathroom
- Parking, garden with outbuilding, Oil and LPG heating
- Two acres of land and stabling available by separate negotiation

Available Now

£575 pcm

R0556



Cockshutt, Ellesmere

- A mid terrace property
- Entrance hall, sitting room, dining room
- Kitchen, three bedrooms, two with own WC and wash basin facilities
- Downstairs family bathroom
- Medium sized garden, parking for two vehicles
- Oil, CH, DG

£550 pcm

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THE OLD PLOUGH, ASTON, WEM

- Charming half timbered detached house
- Dating back to c.1705
- Lounge & sitting room with fireplaces
- Kitchen/dining room
- Utility, shower room
- Three bedrooms, family bathroom
- Adjoining one bedroom annexe
- Garage, parking, established gardens

£285,000
Wem 01939 234368



38 FOTHERGILL WAY, WEM

- Beautifully presented family house
- Lounge, conservatory, dining room
- Fitted breakfast kitchen & utility
- Master bed, dressing room & en-suite
- Guest bed with en-suite
- Two further bedrooms & bathroom
- Established gardens, double garage

£269,950
Wem 01939 234368



5 BROOK DRIVE, WEM

- Versatile detached bungalow
- Lounge, dining area, kitchen
- Three bedrooms, shower room
- Parking, garage, workshop
- Gardens bordered by farm land

£227,500
Wem 01939 234368



19 SWAIN CLOSE, WEM

- Modern detached family house
- Hall, cloakroom, through lounge/diner
- Family breakfast kitchen with utility
- Master bedroom with en-suite
- Three further double bedrooms
- Bathroom, garage & gardens
- Viewing recommended

£224,995
Wem 01939 234368



19 MARLCROFT, WEM

- Extended detached house
- Lounge, dining room, sun room
- Kitchen, utility, WC
- Study, family room/bedroom 4
- Three bedrooms, bathroom
- Garage, excellent gardens

£235,000
Wem 01939 234368



31 ECKFORD PARK, WEM

- Spacious detached bungalow
- Lounge, dining room, kitchen
- Two double bedrooms, shower room
- Garage, parking, rear garden
- No upward chain, popular location

£175,000
Wem 01939 234368



21 RODEN GROVE, WEM

- Modern detached house
- CH & DG. Reception hall
- Lounge & kitchen
- Excellent conservatory
- Three bedrooms & bathroom
- Enclosed rear garden
- Carport & driveway

£165,000
Wem 01939 234368



13 TILLEY ROAD, WEM

- Mature detached bungalow
- Envious position
- Lounge, breakfast kitchen
- Two bedrooms, bathroom
- Established gardens, parking
- Garage & tarmac driveway
- Scope for modernisation, no chain

£159,995
Wem 01939 234368



34 ISHERWOODS WAY, WEM

- Recently constructed mews house
- In this popular development
- Reception hall, cloakroom
- Lounge, kitchen/dining room
- Two bedrooms, bathroom
- Rear garden, parking for two cars
- No chain. Viewing recommended

£135,000
Wem 01939 234368



15 HARRIS CROFT, WEM

- Well presented terraced house
- Double glazing, GCH
- Lounge, kitchen/breakfast room
- Three bedrooms
- Refitted bathroom
- Enclosed rear garden
- Ample parking
- Viewing essential

£134,950
Wem 01939 234368



7 CHAPEL STREET, WEM

- Stunning town property
- Dating back to 17th century
- Lounge with inglenook fireplace
- Dining room & kitchen
- Two bedrooms & bathroom
- Enclosed garden, no chain

£129,500
Wem 01939 234368



24 LOWE HILL GARDENS, WEM

- Mature semi-detached house
- Envious corner position
- Quiet cul de sac. Gas CH & DG
- Spacious lounge/dining room
- Kitchen, utility stores & WC
- Three bedrooms, bathroom
- Gardens. No upward chain

£124,995
Wem 01939 234368



20 FISMES WAY, WEM

- Spacious bungalow
- Lounge/dining room
- Kitchen
- Double bedroom
- Newly fitted shower room
- Parking & garden area

£119,950
Wem 01939 234368



11 CHAPEL STREET, WEM

- Superbly presented terrace
- Open plan lounge/dining/kitchen
- Luxury refitted shower room
- Two bedrooms, rear courtyard
- Ideal for first time buyer

£99,950
Wem 01939 234368



59 HARRIS CROFT, WEM

- Recently built apartment
- Excellent lounge/dining room
- Kitchen with oven & hob
- Double bedroom
- Bathroom, personal parking

£99,950
Wem 01939 234368



SPRINGFIELD, NEW STREET, WEM

- Edwardian detached family home
- Wealth of original period features
- Lounge, sitting room, study/family room
- Family kitchen/dining room
- Master bedroom with dressing room
- Five further bedrooms
- Shower room & bathroom
- Driveway, garage & gardens

£385,000
Wem 01939 234368



JALNA, SOULTION RD, WEM

- Improved & extended family home
- Lounge with feature fireplace
- Open plan kitchen/dining/family room
- Master bed, dressing room & en-suite
- Two further bedrooms, bathroom
- Delightful gardens, garage, parking

£335,000
Wem 01939 234368



THE MEADOWS, POST OFFICE LANE, WHIXALL

- Modern detached family house
- Lounge, dining room, study
- Fabulous family kitchen, utility
- Master bedroom with en-suite
- Three further bedrooms, bathroom
- Double garage, parking & garden
- Stamp duty paid subject to conditions

£269,950
Wem 01939 234368



48 ASTON STREET, WEM

- Excellent, versatile family house
- Lounge, study, sitting room
- Fully fitted kitchen/breakfast room
- Master bedroom with en-suite
- Two further bedrooms, bathroom
- Excellent garage/workshop/offices
- Parking, garden
- Viewing recommended

£240,000
Wem 01939 234368



1 PHEASANT CLOSE, PREES

- Modern detached house
- Lounge, dining room
- Refitted kitchen & utility
- Master bedroom with en-suite
- Three further bedrooms, bathroom
- Garage, parking, rear garden

£219,950
Wem 01939 234368



8 HIGH STREET, WEM

- Period town house with shop frontage
- Dining room with inglenook fireplace
- Refitted kitchen/breakfast room
- Utility, cloakroom, cellar
- Lounge, four double bedrooms
- Bathroom & en-suite
- Private walled garden, no chain

£187,500
Wem 01939 234368



54 KYNASTON DRIVE, WEM

- Attractive detached bungalow
- Spacious lounge/dining room
- Newly fitted kitchen
- Two good sized bedrooms
- Newly fitted bathroom
- Garage, parking, gardens

£165,000
Wem 01939 234368



119 TRENTHAM ROAD, WEM

- Detached bungalow
- Spacious lounge/dining room
- Sun room, kitchen
- Two bedrooms
- Refitted shower room
- Garage, parking, gardens

£159,950
Wem 01939 234368



20 SOMERSET WAY, WEM

- Modern semi-detached house
- Spacious lounge, family room
- Refitted kitchen/dining room
- Three bedrooms, bathroom
- Garage, parking, rear garden

£154,950
Wem 01939 234368



14 THE GROVE, WEM

- Extended three bedroom house
- Lounge, dining room, conservatory
- Refitted kitchen, utility, WC
- Master bedroom with en-suite
- Two further bedrooms, bathroom
- Driveway, gardens, viewing essential

£149,950
Wem 01939 234368



101 TRENTHAM ROAD, WEM

- Extended semi-detached bungalow
- Lounge with feature fireplace
- Separate dining room/bedroom 3
- Refitted kitchen with oven & hob
- Two bedrooms & bathroom
- Driveway, carport & lovely garden
- Viewing highly recommended

£149,500
Wem 01939 234368



15 SHRUBBERY GARDENS, WEM

- Semi-detached in corner plot
- Lounge, dining room
- Spacious refitted kitchen
- Three good sized bedrooms
- Newly fitted bathroom
- Driveway, gardens

£139,950
Wem 01939 234368



6 PARK AVENUE, MILL ST, WEM

- Attractively presented town house
- Lounge, dining room, extended kitchen
- Bathroom, three bedrooms
- Shower room
- Rear garden, garage, parking
- Viewing recommended, no chain

£137,000
Wem 01939 234368



36 WINDMILL MEADOW, WEM

- Modern terraced house
- Lounge, kitchen/dining room
- Three bedrooms, bathroom
- Enclosed rear garden
- Two parking spaces

£129,500
Wem 01939 234368



3 LEAK STREET, WEM

- Charming town house
- Lounge, kitchen/breakfast room
- Two bedrooms, bathroom
- First floor decked sun terrace
- Ideal for first time buyer

£117,500
Wem 01939 234368

MONKS

RESIDENTIAL SALES



THE GABLES, THE GROVE, MINSTERLEY

- Mature 4 bedroom detached house
 - CH & DG. Reception Hall
 - Lounge with fireplace. Dining Room.
 - Kitchen/Breakfast Room. Cloakroom
 - Family Bathroom
 - Ample Parking & Double Garage
 - Delightful landscaped Gardens
- £289,950**
Shrewsbury 01743 361422



APARTMENT 5, ROWTON COURT, ROWTON

- Elegant duplex apartment
 - Gas CH & DG. Reception Hall.
 - Spacious Lounge with stunning views
 - Dining Room. Refitted Kitchen
 - Master Bedroom Suite with Bathroom
 - Two Further Bedrooms, Study
 - Shower Room. Garage and Parking
- £225,000**
Shrewsbury 01743 361422



13 CANTLOP, CONDOVER

- Charming Semi Detached Cottage which dates back to early 1900's
 - DG & heating. Handmade Pine Kitchen. Lounge & separate Dining Room
 - Two Double Bedrooms. Shower Room. Ample Parking, Carport and Storage
 - Gardens bordered by farmland. Stunning views
- £169,950**
Shrewsbury 01743 361422



7 CHAPEL ROAD, HADNALL

- Extended semi detached house
 - Lounge. Kitchen/Breakfast room.
 - Dining Room
 - Master Bedroom with en suite Shower
 - Three Further Bedrooms
 - Family Bathroom
 - Gas CH & DG.
 - Garage and Enclosed Rear Garden
- £199,950**
Shrewsbury 01743 361422



2&3 ST JULIANS FRIARS, SHREWSBURY

- Superb investment opportunity
 - Ground Floor Retail Premises
 - 1st floor 2 Bedroom Apartment
 - 2nd Floor 2 Bedroom Apartment
 - Town Centre Location
 - No upward chain
 - Viewing Recommended
- £195,000**
Shrewsbury 01743 361422



KOLOB, MELVERLEY VIEW, CREW GREEN

- Spacious detached bungalow
 - On the edge of popular village
 - Cloakroom. Spacious lounge
 - Separate dining room, Kitchen
 - 3 bedrooms. Refitted bathroom
 - Driveway providing ample parking
 - Garden with beautiful views
- £174,995**
Shrewsbury 01743 361422



2 BLAKEWAY MEWS, BICTON HEATH

- Modernised semi detached house
 - Gas CH & DG. Reception Hall
 - Spacious Lounge/ Dining room
 - Newly fitted Kitchen
 - Two good sized bedrooms
 - Newly fitted bathroom
 - Driveway & rear garden
- £149,950**
Shrewsbury 01743 361422



37 ALBERBURY DRIVE, SUNDORNE GROVE

- Immaculately presented, improved, modern 3 bedroom house
 - Gas central heating and double glazing. Reception Hall
 - Good sized Lounge. Dining Room. Refitted Kitchen with appliances
 - Refitted bathroom with electric shower. Garage & enclosed rear garden
- £145,000**
Shrewsbury 01743 361422



KNIGHTON HOUSE, RUYTON XI TOWNS

- Individual Detached Cottage
 - Set In The Heart Of The Popular Village
 - Gas Central Heating & Double Glazing
 - Lounge with Inglenook Style Fireplace
 - Good Sized Kitchen/Dining Room
 - Two Double Bedrooms & Bathroom
 - Driveway & Enclosed Rear Garden
- £149,000**
Shrewsbury 01743 361422



20 BYNNER STREET, BELLE VUE

- Much improved mature three bed house
 - Lounge with feature fireplace.
 - Kitchen/breakfast room.
 - Refitted luxury bathroom.
 - 2 bedrooms & attic bedroom
 - Rear garden.
 - Inspection Essential. No upward chain
- £145,000**
Shrewsbury 01743 361422



7 SIMPSON SQUARE, SHREWSBURY

- Superb Second Floor Apartment
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94 UNDERDALE ROAD, UNDERDALE

- Impressive double fronted detached home
 - Gas CH & DG. Reception Hall
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14 BROOK RISE, PONTESBURY

- Well presented detached house
 - Gas CH & DG. Hall & WC
 - Spacious lounge & dining room
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58 WHITE HART, REABROOK

- Three Bed Detached Bungalow
 - Spacious Lounge/Dining Room
 - Kitchen Breakfast Room
 - Spacious Bathroom
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 - Garden bordered by the Reabrook
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CRIGGON LANE, TREWERN

- Modern Detached House
 - Edge of village close to Welshpool
 - Reception Hall. Sitting room
 - Dining room. Kitchen
 - Three bedrooms, family bathroom
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33 CALLOW LANE, MINSTERLEY

- Attractively Presented Detached Bungalow
 - Gas Central Heating and Double Glazing
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5 HARVEY GARDENS, MONKMOOR

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 - 3 Bedrooms & Family Bathroom
 - Driveway with parking
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28 THE WHEATLANDS, BASCHURCH

- Mature semi detached house
 - Improved by the present owners
 - Reception Hall. Through Lounge
 - Separate Dining Room
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 - 3 good sized Bedrooms & bathroom
 - Good sized Gardens & driveway
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61 CARADOC VIEW, HANWOOD

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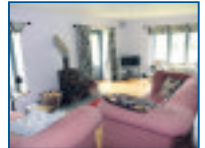
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Hall, WC, living room, dining room, family room, kitchen/breakfast room, six bedrooms, bathroom, driveway, attractively landscaped gardens, UPVC DG, GCH

£339,000**Porthill Drive, Shrewsbury**

Eaton Constantine, Shrewsbury

An impressive detached Georgian family house of character, which has been extensively improved and modernised, located on the fringe of this popular village, adjoining open countryside with superb views towards the Wrekin and south Shropshire hills.

Hall, living room, dining room, family room, kitchen/ breakfast room, utility room, galleried landing, 4 bedrooms, en-suite shower room, family bathroom, extensive driveway, detached double garage, private landscaped gardens, oil CH, DG.

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A carefully renovated, attractive Victorian terraced house of character occupying a pleasant and convenient location within walking distance of the town centre

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£139,950**John Street, Castlefields**

An Edwardian 4 double bedroom semi detached house of character with south facing private gardens well situated a short walk from Shrewsbury town centre

Hall, living room, open plan kitchen/dining room, utility, shower room, cellar, 2 first floor bedrooms, dressing room/study, bathroom, 2 second floor bedrooms, large gardens, original features, GCH

Cotton Crescent, Shrewsbury**£239,950**

A recently modernised 3 storey terrace cottage of character occupying a quiet private courtyard position within this sought after area of the town

Living room, refitted kitchen, 2 bedrooms, refitted bathroom, courtyard garden, utility room/store, uPVC double glazed windows, electric heating.

£125,000**Brougham Square, Belle Vue**

An attractive and well presented, spacious semi-detached family house, located within this popular area, a short walk from schools, quarry park, and town centre.

Hall, living room, dining room, conservatory, kitchen, side lobby, WC, 3 bedrooms, bathroom, separate WC, detached garage, driveway, front and rear gardens, DG, GCH

£249,950**Shelton Road, Copthorne**

Spacious modern detached family house occupying a superb position in a quiet and private area with good sized gardens adjoining open fields

Entrance hall, living room, dining room, conservatory, kitchen/breakfast room, utility, cloakroom, 4 bedrooms, (one with en-suite), bathroom, integral garage, extensive driveway and parking area, DG, GCH

£229,950**Oswell Road, Shrewsbury**

A well maintained modern terraced house situated in a quiet cul-de-sac within this popular development located on the fringe of town

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£149,950**Hallam Drive, Berwick Grange**

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£169,950**Tillstock Crescent, Sutton Farm****new**

An improved and extended mature semi-detached house of character located in this popular area close to excellent schools and a short distance from the town centre

Hall, living/dining room, refitted kitchen, utility, WC, 3 bedrooms, bathroom, private parking, detached office (formerly garage), good sized gardens, uPVC DG, GCH

£209,000**Copthorne Road, Shrewsbury****new**

Hinwood Road, Westbury

A beautifully presented modern detached family house which has been extensively improved and is well situated on the fringe of the village with lovely private landscaped gardens with views over adjoining countryside

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An impressive and unique Georgian style detached house beautifully presented to an exceptional standard and well situated in this popular village a short distance south of Shrewsbury

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£339,000**Church Road, Dorington**

An extremely well presented and individually designed spacious detached bungalow well situated in this popular hamlet with attractively landscaped gardens

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Twyfords Way, Monkmoor



new

Pleasantly situated executive 4 bedroom detached family home situated in this sought after village within easy access of local primary and secondary schools.

Hall, WC, living room, dining room, conservatory, study, kitchen/breakfast room, utility, galleried landing, master bedroom with en-suite, 3 further bedrooms, bathroom, GCH, driveway, double garage, good sized gardens.

£350,000

Vicarage Croft, Baschurch



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Mature semi-detached bungalow occupying a quiet and private cul-de-sac position in this popular residential area a short distance from the town centre

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£137,500

Regents Drive, Shrewsbury



Contemporary and attractively designed second floor apartment, situated within this purpose built development, communal gardens, private parking,

Hall, living room, large fitted kitchen, double bedroom, shower room, private parking, communal gardens, double glazed windows, gas fired central heating

£115,000

Simpson Square, Shrewsbury



Station Road, Baschurch

An impressive substantial and individually designed detached family house occupying a lovely position on the fringe of the village with good sized gardens adjoining open countryside.

Hall, WC, living room, dining room, sitting room, kitchen/breakfast room, utility, 5 bedrooms, master bedroom with en-suite & dressing room, bathroom, garage, loft room, extensive driveway, gardens, uPVC DG, GCH

£429,000



An extensively improved and well presented semi-detached family house situated in a quiet cul-de-sac

Porch and hall, living room, dining room, conservatory, refitted kitchen, 3 bedrooms, bathroom, driveway, carport, detached garage, garden, uPVC DG, GCH. (N.B The vendor will pay £250 towards legal fees if the purchaser uses one of their recommended solicitors.)

£169,995

Onslow Drive, Mount Pleasant



new

A well maintained spacious detached house located in this popular area of the town

Entrance hall, living room, dining room, kitchen, side lobby, cloakroom, 3 bedrooms, bathroom, separate WC, extensive driveway, single garage, front and rear landscaped gardens, uPVC DG, electric heating. NO CHAIN

£210,000

Thornhill Road, The Mount



new

An extensively and tastefully improved semi detached house, with pleasant outlook, situated on the fringe of town, a short walk from the centre.

Entrance hall, living room, kitchen/dining room, 3 good sized bedrooms, bathroom, driveway, gardens, uPVC double glazed windows, gas fired central heating.

£157,000

Roundhill Green, Coton Hill



new price

An extremely well presented and improved mature end of terrace house situated in a quiet residential area

Entrance hall, living room, kitchen/dining room, 3 bedrooms, bathroom, extensive driveway, carport, good sized garden, mainly double glazed, GCH

£137,500

Roseway, Halescott



An attractive and well presented 3 storey Victorian house of character, located a short walk from the town with south facing garden and views over the Quarry Park and town centre

Entrance hall, living/dining room, kitchen/breakfast room, 3 double bedrooms, bathroom, gas fired central heating, front and rear gardens

Cophthorne Road, Cophthorne

£189,995



An extremely well presented and improved, spacious, mature semi detached family house, with good sized garden, situated in a quiet residential area, a short distance from the town centre.

Spacious hall, through living room, kitchen, 3 good sized bedrooms, bathroom, private driveway, double glazed windows, gas fired central heating.

£149,950

Berwick Avenue, Shrewsbury



Spacious detached country cottage of character situated in this lovely hamlet a short distance from Westbury with private gardens adjoining open countryside.

Dining hall, living room, kitchen/breakfast room, utility, 3 double bedrooms, bathroom, extensive driveway and parking area, double glazed windows, oil fired central heating.

£245,000

Vennington, Westbury



A substantial detached Victorian house of character which is in need of general modernisation with large private gardens adjoining open countryside

hall, inner hall, living room, dining room, kitchen/breakfast room, side hall, utility, WC, conservatory, 3 bedrooms, bathroom, detached garage/workshop, extensive driveway, DG, oil CH

£229,950

Station Road, Westbury

new



Mytton Oak Road, Shrewsbury

An extensively improved and deceptively spacious detached dormer property of character with is particularly well appointed benefiting from many attractive features.

Porch, hall, living room, kitchen/dining room, sun lounge, 3 double bedrooms, (one with en-suite shower room), bathroom, extensive driveway and parking area, garage, uPVC DG, GCH

£329,950

new price



An attractive and well presented modern detached bungalow occupying a lovely position on the fringe of this lovely village

Living/dining room, kitchen, inner hall, 2 bedrooms, bathroom, garage, driveway, gardens, uPVC DG, gas CH

£149,995

Millbrook Drive, Shawbury



OPENING WEEKEND

SATURDAY 24TH AND SUNDAY 25TH
MARCH 12PM – 4PM

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An extremely well presented and much improved spacious detached property with well proportioned accommodation situated in this sought after village a short distance from Shrewsbury

Hall, living room, dining room, kitchen/breakfast room, utility, 3 double bedrooms, bathroom, shower room, detached garage, driveway, good sized front and rear gardens, DG, oil CH

£315,000

Brookside, Bicton



new

An extremely well presented and tastefully improved semi-detached family house well situated in a quiet and private cul-de-sac. No chain

entrance hall, living room, refitted kitchen/dining room, 3 bedrooms, refitted bathroom, driveway, large carport, front and rear gardens, uPVC double glazed windows, gas fired central heating

Poolside, Bayston Hill

£159,950

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Entrance porch and hall, living/dining room, kitchen/breakfast room, 3 double bedrooms, bathroom, extensive driveway, carport, garage, front and rear gardens, uPVC DG, GCH. NO CHAIN

£179,950

Brookside Gardens, Yockleton



new price

A much improved and well presented detached family house well situated with pleasant outlook at the end of a quiet cul-de-sac with attractively landscaped private garden

Hall, living room, dining room, kitchen/breakfast room, utility, cloakroom, 4 bedrooms, one with en-suite, bathroom, integral garage, driveway, gardens, uPVC DG, GCH

£212,500

Redfield, Herongate, Shrewsbury



new

An extremely well presented mews house situated in this lovely development a short distance from Shrewsbury with extensive landscaped grounds and views across adjoining countryside

Kitchen/dining room, living room, 2 bedrooms, bathroom, private parking, double glazed windows, gas fired central heating

£139,950

Harmer Hill, Shrewsbury



A well maintained spacious detached family house situated at the end of a quiet and private cul-de-sac in a popular village with good sized private gardens adjoining open countryside.

Hall, WC, living room, dining room, study, breakfast room, kitchen, utility, 4 bedrooms, (one en-suite), bathroom, driveway, garage, uPVC DG, gas CH.

£250,000

Brook Rise, Pontesbury



Kenton Drive, off Laundry

An exceptionally well presented detached family house occupying a lovely quiet and private position with attractively landscaped gardens in this popular area of town

Ent hall, cloakroom, living room, dining room, conservatory, kitchen/breakfast room, utility, master bedroom with en-suite, 3 further bedrooms, bathroom, GCH, uPVC DG, driveway, double garage, front and rear gardens

£319,950



A unique and spacious 3 storey town house with 1200 sqft of accommodation occupying a quiet courtyard setting in this iconic development located in the town centre.

Open plan living room, dining room & kitchen, WC, decked sun terrace, bedroom/landing, bedroom, bathroom, gas CH, SUDG, parking, potential to provide a further large terrace/atrium subject to planning permission. No Chain

£219,950

Nexus, Roushill



An extremely well presented and spacious second floor apartment located in this attractive building a short distance from Shrewsbury with lovely communal grounds and views over adjoining open countryside

Spacious hall, living room, kitchen/dining room, 2 double bedrooms, bathroom, electric heating

£145,000

Betton Strange Hall, Betton Strange



£299,950

River Gardens, Shawbury

An extensively improved and extremely spacious detached family house well situated in this popular cul-de-sac on the fringe of the village with private gardens adjoining countryside

Hall, cloaks, living room, family room, kitchen/dining room, utility, 4 bedrooms, (two with en-suite), family bathroom, oil CH, uPVC DG, driveway, double garage, front and good sized rear gardens.



£260,000

Marlcroft, Wem

An extremely spacious and much improved mature detached family house with large private garden situated in a quiet residential area on the fringe of this north Shropshire market town

Hall, living room, dining room, kitchen, utility, WC, master bedroom with en-suite, 3 further bedrooms, bathroom, GCH, uPVC DG throughout, driveway, garage, gardens.



new

An extremely well presented and improved modern mid terrace house occupying a quiet and private courtyard setting in a popular area of the town

Entrance porch, living room, kitchen, double bedroom, bathroom, private parking space, front garden, gas fired central heating

Shaw Road, Shrewsbury

£105,000



£115,000

Monkmoor Road, Shrewsbury

An extremely spacious improved and well presented property which occupies ground and first floor levels of this 3 storey building with its own lovely private walled rear garden, a short walk from the town centre.

Entrance hall, living/dining room, attractively fitted kitchen/breakfast room, useful cellar, 2 bedrooms, large bathroom, DG, GCH



Spring Gardens, Shrewsbury.

Newly built 3 bedroom detached house forming part of a new development a short distance from the town centre

Entrance hall, cloakroom, living room, kitchen/dining room, utility, master bedroom with en-suite, 2 further bedrooms, family bathroom, gas fired central heating, uPVC double glazing.

£210,000



new

A deceptively spacious and much improved 3 storey Victorian house of character situated in this popular area of the town a short walk from the centre

Spacious hall, living room, dining room, kitchen/breakfast room, utility, cloakroom, 4 double bedrooms, bathroom, gardens, gas fired central heating

King Street, Cherry Orchard

£234,950



£315,000

Little Ness, Shrewsbury

Attractive detached barn conversion of character occupying a superb position within a lovely development benefiting from attractively landscaped gardens with views over adjoining open countryside.

Hall, living room, kitchen/dining room, utility/cloakroom, 3 bedrooms, (1 with en-suite), bathroom, garage, extensive driveway, gardens, oil CH, DG

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An improved mid terrace house ideal for first time buyer occupying a quiet courtyard setting with front and rear gardens.

Living room, dining area, conservatory, kitchen, double bedroom, shower room, double glazed windows, gas fired central heating

£85,000

Greystone Court, Gains Park



new

An extremely well presented and extensively improved modern semi-detached house well situated in a quiet cul-de-sac with private gardens adjoining fields

Entrance hall, living room, refitted kitchen/dining room, 3 bedrooms, refitted bathroom, extensive driveway, front and rear gardens, uPVC DG, GCH

£164,950

Byfield, Lesley Owen Way



An exceptionally well presented and much improved mid terrace cottage of character with private driveway and large rear garden adjoining Reabrook

Entrance vestibule, living room, inner hall, kitchen, bathroom, 2 bedrooms, gas fired central heating, driveway, large gardens

£155,000

Reabrook Terrace, Hook A Gate



An extensively and tastefully improved detached family house with spacious accommodation well situated in this popular area located on the fringe of town

Hall, living room, dining area, kitchen, conservatory/family room, inner hall, store/utility, WC, 4 good sized bedrooms, bathroom, GCH, uPVC DG, driveway, store, front and rear gardens.

£249,950

Barns Green, Meole Village



new

A well maintained and spacious detached house located within this popular area of the town

Entrance hall, living room, dining room, kitchen, side lobby, cloakroom, 3 bedrooms, bathroom, separate WC, extensive driveway, single garage, attractively landscaped front and rear gardens, uPVC DG, electric heating

£190,000

Downfield Road, The Mount



South Hermitage, Belle Vue

An impressive extremely well presented double fronted Victorian semi-detached family house of character located within this sought after area of the town

Hall, living room, dining room, kitchen/breakfast room, rear hall, WC, utility, 4 bedrooms, (one with en-suite), bathroom, double width driveway, attractively landscaped front and rear gardens, GCH, NO CHAIN

£385,000



An attractive and extremely well presented mid terrace Grade II Listed Georgian house of character situated in this sought after area of the town

Living room, kitchen/dining room, 2 bedrooms, shower room, private south facing garden, walled sun terrace, gas fired central heating, partial double glazing

£164,950

Preston Street, Shrewsbury



new price

Yarlington Orchard, Pontesbury

A substantial and attractively designed family house recently built to a high specification within this popular village which benefits from a wide range of amenities

Spacious entrance hall, living room, dining room, study, family room, kitchen, utility, WC, galleried landing, 4 bedrooms, (2 with en-suite), bathroom, detached double garage, driveway, DG, GCH, NHBC warranty

£365,000



An exceptionally well presented first floor apartment situated within a sought after town centre development adjoining the River Severn

Entrance Hall, inner hall, living room, kitchen/dining room, 2 bedrooms, bathroom, electric heating, private parking

£159,000

Upper Blackfriars, Shrewsbury



A well maintained and deceptively spacious 4 storey house situated in this popular quiet and private residential area a short walk from the town centre.

Entrance hall, living room, dining room, kitchen, utility, lower ground floor study/playroom, 4 bedrooms, bathroom, front and rear gardens, double glazed windows, gas fired central heating

£179,000

Hotspur Street, Greenfields



new

A recently built two bedroom ground floor apartment situated in a quiet location on this select development within walking distance of Shrewsbury town centre.

Living/dining room, kitchen, 2 bedrooms, en suite shower room, bathroom, gas central heating, double glazed windows, parking space.

£125,000

Wilfred Owen Close, Shrewsbury



Mature semi-detached family house situated in a quiet and private cul-de-sac

Entrance hall, living room, dining room, kitchen, store/utility, 3 bedrooms, bathroom, separate WC, extensive driveway, front and rear gardens uPVC double glazed windows, gas fired central heating

£127,995

Meadow Farm Drive, Sundorne



Beautifully presented modern apartment situated in a prestigious town centre development with contemporary accommodation

Entrance hall, living room, fitted kitchen with integrated appliances, double bedroom, shower room, electric heating.

£124,995

Town Centre, Shrewsbury



Arlington Way, Shrewsbury.

A newly built 3 bedroom detached house forming part of a new development on the fringe of the town

Entrance hall, WC, living room, dining room, kitchen, master bedroom with en-suite, 2 further bedrooms, family bathroom, gardens, driveway, garage, uPVC double glazing, gas fired central heating

£199,995



new

Longden Road, Shrewsbury

Individually designed and extremely spacious house of character with well maintained and versatile accommodation, located in a popular part of the town with large private rear gardens overlooking Kingsland Valley

Hall, WC, living room, family room, conservatory, kitchen/dining room, utility, 4 double bedrooms, (two with en-suite), bathroom, GCH, DG, private driveway, extensive gardens.

£350,000



An individually designed spacious split level detached property occupying a superb rural position with stunning countryside views and approximately 3 acres of adjoining land

Entrance hall, impressive living room, dining/family room, kitchen, porch, 3 double bedrooms, bathroom, shower room, extensive driveway, outbuilding providing stabling, single garage and storage, extensive private gardens

£389,950

Middletown, Powys



An extremely well presented and tastefully modernised detached dormer property well situated a short distance north of Shrewsbury.

Spacious hall, living room, dining room, kitchen/breakfast room, utility, 4 bedrooms, bath and shower rooms, extensive driveway, private gardens, UPVC DG, GCH

£299,000

Harmer Hill, Shrewsbury



new

Detached house recently run as a bed and breakfast business situated on the fringe of Shrewsbury. Planning permission for a 3 bedroom detached house in the garden and there is scope subject to planning permission to divide the existing house into two dwellings.

Living room, dining room, Kitchen, utility, 5 bedrooms, bathroom, WC, GCH, uPVC, double garage and garden. Parking for several cars.

£269,950

Meole Brace, Shrewsbury

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A beautifully presented detached house situated in a desirable residential area close to good schools and neighbourhood shops

Hall, living room, dining room, study area, kitchen, pantry, rear lobby/utility, WC, 3 bedrooms, bathroom, WC, garage, store, driveway, front and rear gardens, GCH,

£325,000

Shelton Road, Shrewsbury



An exceptionally well presented and much improved mature spacious semi-detached house situated within this popular village

Entrance hall, living room, kitchen/dining room, conservatory, side lobby, separate WC, 3 bedrooms, bathroom, private driveway, front and rear gardens, uPVC double glazed windows, gas fired central heating

£149,950

Glebelands, Shawbury



Poynton Green, Shawbury

An attractive semi-detached country cottage of character occupying a superb position with extensive grounds adjoining unspoilt countryside with access to the Shropshire Way long distance foot path

Porch, dining/hall, living room, kitchen, rear lobby, 4 bedrooms, bathroom, shower room, detached double garage, driveway, lovely gardens extending to approximately 1/2 acre, DG, solid fuel and night storage heating

£290,000



new price

An attractive south facing second floor retirement apartment located a short distance from excellent local amenities and Shrewsbury town centre

Entrance hall, living/dining room, kitchen, double bedroom, bathroom, electric heating, double glazing, communal gardens, communal parking

£108,500

Hazledine Court, Shrewsbury



A well presented and extended mature semi-detached family house with large private garden located in this popular area of the town

Entrance porch and hall, living room, dining room, kitchen/breakfast room, 3 bedrooms, bathroom, good sized gardens, partial double glazing, gas fired central heating, extensive driveway, detached garage.

£239,995

Washford Road, Meole Village



new

An individually designed and exceptionally well presented spacious modern detached family house well situated a short distance from town with views over countryside

Hall, WC, store, living room, dining room, conservatory, kitchen/breakfast room, utility, 4 double bedrooms, one with en-suite shower room, bathroom, garage, driveway, gardens, uPVC DG, GCH

£310,000

Pulley Lane, Bayston Hill



An individually designed and recently constructed, spacious detached family house, situated in this popular village, a short distance from Shrewsbury.

Hall, cloakroom, study, dining room, living room, conservatory, kitchen/ breakfast room, utility, 4 bedrooms, one with en suite shower room, family bathroom, single garage, driveway, gardens, uPVC wood effect double glazed windows GCH.

£219,995

Ivydene, Cross Houses



An extremely well presented and attractive mature semi-detached house of character with lovely private courtyard garden located a short walk from the theatre, shops, restaurants and the town centre. Garage available.

Living room, dining room, kitchen, 2 double bedrooms both with en-suite bath and shower rooms, gas fired central heating, front and rear courtyard garden

£159,950

Mount Street, Shrewsbury



new

A well presented and spacious terraced house of character situated in this quiet and popular residential area a short walk from the Theatre, local bars, restaurants and town centre

Entrance hall, living room, dining room, spacious kitchen, 2 double bedrooms, bathroom, courtyard, GCH, parking by separate negotiation.

Alma Street, Mountfields

£159,950



An extremely well maintained first floor retirement apartment set in lovely landscaped grounds in proximity to Shrewsbury Hospital and a range of local amenities

Entrance hall and landing, living/dining room, kitchen, 2 bedrooms, bathroom, electric heating, double glazing. NO UPWARD CHAIN

£99,950

Mytton Villa, Shrewsbury



Mature substantially extended semi-detached house occupying an attractive semi-rural setting on the edge of the village of Cross Houses immediately adjoining open fields with far reaching views towards the Wrekin and beyond.

Hall, living room, sitting room, kitchen, breakfast room, utility, bathroom, 3 bedrooms, shower room, oil CH, DG, driveway, garage, rear gardens. NO CHAIN

£197,500

Lower Cross, Cross Houses



An extremely well presented recently modernised spacious ground floor purpose built apartment located on the fringe of this popular village

Entrance hall, living room, kitchen, 2 bedrooms, bathroom, GCH, UPVC DG, private rear garden, driveway.

£95,000

Caradoc View, Hanwood



Extended three storey end terrace town house situated just a few hundred yards from the town centre and enjoying lovely views of Shrewsbury Abbey and its grounds

Entrance hall, sitting room, living room, kitchen, 4 bedrooms, bathroom, separate WC, 3 useful cellar rooms, paved terrace/parking space, Gas CH

Abbey Foregate, Shrewsbury

£174,995



An impressive and extremely spacious individually designed detached house, well situated on the fringe of the village with lovely countryside views to front and rear.

Study, living room, dining room, conservatory, kitchen/breakfast room, utility, 3 bedrooms, 2 with en-suite, master bedroom has balcony en-suite dressing area & bathroom, extensive driveway, gardens, DG, GCH

£329,950

The Grove, Minsterley



Kings Road North, Baschurch

An attractively designed and extensively improved modern detached family house occupying a lovely position within this popular village located a short distance north of Shrewsbury

Hall, WC, living room, conservatory, kitchen/dining room, utility, 4 bedrooms (one with en-suite), bathroom, detached double garage, driveway, front, side and rear gardens, DG, GCH

£289,995



A well presented and spacious, detached family house, occupying a superb position on the fringe of town in this popular area, with gardens adjoining open unspoilt open countryside.

Hall, cloakroom, living room, dining room, conservatory, study/family room, kitchen/breakfast room, 4 bedrooms, bathroom, detached double garage, driveway, gardens, uPVC double glazed windows and GCH.

£335,000

Milnthorpe, Washford Park



new price

An extremely well presented and spacious modern detached family house well situated with landscaped gardens and countryside views

Hall, WC, living room, dining room, conservatory, kitchen/breakfast room, utility, 4 bedrooms, (one with en-suite), bathroom, integral garage, driveway, front and rear gardens, uPVC DG, oil CH. NO UPWARD CHAIN

£199,995

Brockton Meadow, Brockton

new
Fairlawn Gardens, Meole Village

An exceptionally well presented and attractively designed spacious detached bungalow with beautifully landscaped gardens, occupying a lovely, quiet and private cul-de-sac position in this sought after area of the town within easy reach of village amenities and frequent bus service to town centre.

Hall, living room, sitting room, dining room, kitchen/breakfast room, utility, 3 bedrooms, (one with en-suite), bathroom, detached double garage, front, side and rear gardens, uPVC DG, GCH

£359,000



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Copthorne Drive, Copthorne

Period Three Bedroom Detached House
Hall, Living Room, Downstairs WC
Dining Room, Kitchen incl White Goods
Bathroom with Separate Shower
Two Double Bedrooms incl One with Wardrobes
Single Bedroom or Home Office, GCH, Driveway
New Carpets, Redecorated, Front & Rear Gardens.

£795 pcm



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Beautiful Two Bedroom Barn Conversion
Entrance Hall, Open Plan Living Room
Kitchen incl White Goods, Double Glazing
Master Bedroom with En-Suite Shower
over Bath
Double Bedroom, Family Bathroom, GCH
OFFERED FURNISHED OR UNFURNISHED

£795 pcm



Lapwood Drive, Herongate

Modern Four Bedroom Detached House
Lobby, Living Room, Dining Room
Breakfast Kitchen with White Goods
Spacious Master Bedroom with En-Suite
2 Double Bedrooms, 1 Single Bedroom
Family Bathroom with Shower
Garden incl Shed, Garage, Driveway

£775 pcm



Burgs Lane, Bayston Hill

Immaculate Two Bedroom Detached Bungalow
Fabulous Views over Open Countryside
Living Room with Open Fire, French Doors to Rear
Two Double Bedrooms with Built-In Wardrobes
Bathroom including Shower, Home Office
Breakfast Kitchen with White Goods, Dining Room
Gated Driveway, GCH, Full Double Glazing.

£695 pcm



Bishop Street, Cherry Orchard

Large Victorian Three Bedroom Mid Terrace
Highly Sort After Residential Area of Cherry Orchard
Entrance Hall, Front Living Room, Dining Room
Kitchen including Cooker
Three Double Bedrooms with Built in Wardrobes
Bathroom with Shower
Medium Sized Garden, On Street Parking

£675 pcm



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Beautiful Two Bedroom Executive Apartment
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Living Room with Views over The Square
Modern Kitchen with Full Range of White Goods
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Double Bedroom with Built in Wardrobes
Double Bedroom, Bathroom with Shower.

£650 pcm



Betton Street, Belle Vue

New Build High Specification Terraced House
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Two Double Bedrooms with Wardrobes, Bathroom
Fully Boarded Roof Space with Loft Ladder
Full Double Glazing, Gas Central Heating
York Stone Patio Garden, Driveway Parking.

£650 pcm



Roundhill Green, Cotton Hill

Modern Three Bedroom Semi Detached House
Living Room, Fitted Kitchen with Range Cooker
Dining Area, Doors to Rear Patio and Garden
Two Double Bedrooms, Single Bedroom
Bathroom with Shower, GCH,
Driveway Parking
Park and Play Area Close By

£645 pcm



Hordley Avenue, Heath Farm

Redecorated Three Bedroom Semi Detached House
Corner of a Quiet Residential Cul-de-Sac
Entrance Hall, Living Room, Dining Room, Kitchen
Sun Room, Two Double Bedrooms and One Single
Bathroom incl Shower, GCH, Double Glazing
Generous Rear Garden, Driveway

£600 pcm



The Monklands, Abbey Foregate

Attractive Two Bedroom Ground Floor Apartment
Purpose Built Apartment Block
Popular Residential Area
Communal Entrance Hall, Hall with Intercom
Spacious Living Room with Dining Area
Kitchen & White Goods, Two Double Bedrooms
Bathroom incl Shower, Allocated Parking

£595 pcm



Peace Cottages, Belle Vue

Refurbished Two Bedroom Mid Terraced House
Living Room with Gas Fire
New Kitchen with Dining Area, Oven & Gas Hob
Understairs Storage, Two Double Bedrooms
Spacious Bathroom incl Shower, Airing Cupboard
New Combi Boiler, New Carpets & Floor Covering
Rear Garden, On Street Parking

£575 pcm



Willowdale Gardens, Herongate

Modern Two Bedroom Mid Terraced House
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Master Bedroom incl Cupboard, Single Bedroom
Bathroom incl New Shower, Double Glazing
New Carpets, Redecorated Throughout.

£575 pcm



Sutton Bridge, Shrewsbury

New Two Bedroom Second Floor Apartment
Quiet Residential Development Close to Town
Entrance Hall, Storage Cupboard.
Spacious Living Room, Two Double Bedrooms
Breakfast Kitchen including White Goods, Dining Area
Bathroom including Shower, Car Parking Space
Bike Store, Clothes Drying Area, Bin Store.

£550 pcm



The Court, St Mary's

Two Bedroom Second Floor Apartment
Fantastic Panoramic Views Towards the Wrekin
Lift Access to 1st Floor, Entrance Hall
Two Bedrooms, Living Room, Dining Room
Recently Fitted Bathroom with Shower
Kitchen including Oven, Hob, Dishwasher
Washing Machine, GCH, Partial Double Glazing.

£550 pcm



Butlers Cottage, Cound Estate

Fully Refurbished Two Bedroom Cottage
Prestigious Country Estate Close to Shrewsbury
Breakfast Kitchen including White Goods
Living Room with Door to Gravelled Courtyard
Oak Floors, Bathroom with Shower
Ample Parking Provided
Short Walk to Pathways through Open Countryside.

£530 pcm



Trafalgar Place, Off Abbey Foregate

Modern Two Bedroom Apartment
Unfurnished
Sitting Room with Dining Area
Kitchen including Cooker & Hob, Washer
Double Bedroom with Wardrobes, Double Bedroom
Bathroom with Shower, Carpets & Curtains
Allocated Parking space

£525 pcm



Gains Avenue, Bicton Heath

Well Maintained Two Bedroom House
Close to Shrewsbury Hospital
Entrance Hall, Kitchen with Electric Cooker
Living Room with Doors to Patio and Rear Garden
Two Bedrooms, Bathroom with Shower
Gas Central Heating with Combi Boiler
Decked Area in Garden, Shed, Parking

£500 pcm



Theatre Royal, Town Centre

New One Bed Executive Apartment
Prestigious Town Centre Development
Communal Entrance with Intercom & Lift Access
Double Bedroom with Fitted Wardrobe
Bathroom with Shower, Living Room,
Kitchen with White Goods, Storage Cupboard.
UNFURNISHED OR FURNISHED

£495 pcm



The Monklands, Abbey Foregate

Ground Floor Apartment Close to Town
Unfurnished, Communal Entrance
Living Room, Kitchen Area
Lovely Rear Patio
Double Bedroom with Wardrobe
Bathroom with Shower
Parking Space

£495 pcm



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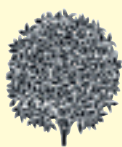
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THE launch of the Government's NewBuy scheme, which will herald the return of 95 per cent mortgages for buyers of new homes, is already attracting enormous interest says Shropshire housebuilder David Wilson Homes.

Around 20,000 potential homebuyers have already pre-registered their interest on the company's website nationally with the weekly registration rate now hitting 1,500.

Interest in the scheme is being driven by the dramatically reduced deposit needed to buy a new home, giving credit-worthy buyers the best opportunity for five years to get onto the housing ladder.

As well as website pre-registration, David Wilson Homes is launching its own helping hand for would-be homebuyers with a helpline - 0844 815 6178 to deal with the increased level of interest.

It is also pledging that its network of mortgage advisors will be available seven days a week so that NewBuy mortgage applicants can get independent advice and a rapid decision. Alastair Parsons, senior sales manager at David Wilson Mercia said: "This is a significant change for the housing market in Shrewsbury and we are seeing substantial levels of interest."

"I would urge anyone interested to contact us as soon as possible. We will explain how the new system will work and talk our customers through the reduced deposit requirements."

"We have set up a priority service especially for our buyers, using independent mortgage advisors who will

by Chris Burn

ensure their inquiries receive a rapid response.

David Wilson Mercia is hailing the return of 95 per cent mortgages as a real boost for the local housing market and local economy.

"We believe it will provide the necessary kickstart to the market which has been starved of mortgage finance in the past five years," said Alastair.

"There is an awful lot of pent-up demand. People have been renting for three or four years and many are a bit fed up that they are paying more in rent than they had bought."

"But the new product is also available to existing homeowners who want to buy a new build home and who only have a five per cent deposit."

Alastair added, "The key thing is that people will no longer need huge deposits of up to 20 per cent."

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With the property market still sluggish it is even more important than ever to market your property well.

Help is now on hand locally from independent property consultant Christopher Morris who could be just the person you need on your side.

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He said: "The one thing I've learned over more than 30 years in the property business is that many people find it beneficial to have some help on occasions from a truly impartial property professional they can rely on for unbiased and practical advice."

In launching his new service, he added: "I am often asked by friends and former clients for my opinion, help or advice on a variety of property matters. So, I thought with the current state of the market, there could well be many people out there who could use some truly impartial help and support at a very economic cost."

"So now everyone can benefit from all this experience in a flexible and friendly manner. The aim is to leave you with a better appreciation of how you can really improve the chances of selling your home in this difficult market," Christopher added.

He will provide genuine independent advice from someone with no financial conflict of interest.

Christopher doesn't sell houses locally, but aims to help people buy and sell theirs more easily. He considers, with the vendor, any obvious problems or defects and offers sen-



Giving some home truths - Christopher Morris.

sible solutions and initial comments on presentation - sellers can add to this by using the full property presentation service if they wish.

He can review the general local market and help select the most appropriate agent. The importance of choosing the right estate agent is a primary factor in whether a sale is successful. He can also be able to guide sellers towards alternative strategies to help sell a property, exploring which other methods of marketing may be worth consideration.

"I understand selling your home can be stressful and the importance of dealing with a professional that you can trust and understands you" he said. "I will visit your home and report depending on the level of help you require."

His knowledge has been market-tested through boom and bust housing markets and he has featured on television and radio providing invaluable advice and guidance.

Christopher Morris can be contacted on (01743)343634 or e-mail chris@christophermorris.co.uk

Lettings chief backs call for high standards

A LETTINGS agent has welcomed the findings of a report which highlights the need for the raising of standards across the lettings industry as a whole.

Dawn Clarke, director of Shropshire-based Nock Deighton, and ARLA's regional representative for Shropshire and Staffordshire, has pledged her support for a call by the Property Ombudsman (TPO) to encourage and promote overall standards within the sector, and believes this will help ensure consumers across the region are protected.

Dawn said: "Lettings and management agencies are not currently subject to the same stringent regulations as sales agents, and with almost half of all lettings agents in the UK not registered with the Property Ombudsman, there is a genuine risk of consumers receiving a poor and inadequate service."

"Agents that are fully licensed with professional bodies such as ARLA and have Client Money Protection are bound to a strict code of conduct and really do provide the public with a more professional and customer-focused service, which is why we fully support the TPO's proposed launch of an industry council to promote overall standards."

"It is vital that those either renting or looking to rent a property are aware of the service they should expect to receive, and that landlords using an agent are confident that they are fully trained and committed to abide by certain rules and regulations."

"With the private rented sector due to grow considerably over the next few years, it is even more imperative that lettings agents adopt comprehensible and controlled standards to ensure the protection of landlords and their tenants," she added.



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There's an all-new version of Volkswagen's iconic Beetle on the way with an uncanny similarity to the original.

But if you loved VW's link back to the hippy age with the dash mounted vase and flower you're going to be disappointed. It's gone and its place has gone to a flip up glove box, originally seen in the air-cooled Beetle.

The Beetle, made famous in Disney's Herbie films, is about to hit UK showrooms in three trim levels and two engines with the promise of three more engines to follow.

To begin with, Volkswagen is offering a 104bhp turbocharged 1.2-litre engine coupled to a seven-speed DSG double clutch gearbox

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and a 158bhp 1.4-litre petrol with turbo and supercharging that uses a six-speed manual transmission.

To follow are a 2.0-litre turbo petrol engine with 197bhp – nearly the same engine as in the Golf GTI but with a little less power – and a 104bhp 1.6-litre turbodiesel as seen in the rest of the VW range.

The diesel will come badged as BlueMotion, so expect 65.7mpg and 114g/km emissions.



The new Beetle sees a return to the iconic Herbie design



VW have pulled out all the stops with the Beetle Sport

The three trim levels are Beetle, Design and Sport. The 1.2-litre is offered in Beetle or Design trim from £16,490 and the 1.4-litre in Design or Sport trim from £19,470.

Three other engines – a 1.6-litre TDI BlueMotion Technology 105 PS, 2.0-litre TDI 140 PS and 2.0-litre TSI 200 PS – will be joining the line-up later in 2012 along with the option of a six-speed manual gearbox for the 1.2-litre TSI model.

Specification levels are high. The standard Beetle comes with air conditioning, remote central locking, an RCD 310 CD system with DAB radio and rear Isofix seat preparation.

Moving to the mid-level Design trim adds 17-inch alloy wheels in a choice of two styles, Bluetooth telephone preparation with MDI (multi-device interface) iPod connectivity,

front fog lights, an alarm, an RCD 510 DAB CD/radio, multifunction leather-wrapped steering wheel and body-coloured door and dashboard panels.

The range-topping Sport specification brings 18-inch alloys in a choice of two styles, tinted glass, cruise control, sports seats, parking sensors, gloss black door mirrors, dashboard and door panel and 2Zone electronic climate control.

Traction control

The Beetle comes with driver, passenger and side airbags but no curtain airbags are on offer. There are twin three-point belts in the rear seats, while ABS anti-lock brakes and ESP stability and traction control are fitted to all models.

The top spec Sport model of Beetle also comes with parking sensors. Security is taken care of by an alarm, immobiliser and deadlocks.

A wide range of optional equipment will also be available, including keyless access, satellite navigation systems, a panoramic sunroof and bi-xenon headlights.

The option that is expected to make the biggest impact is the Fender sound pack.

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The rear seats lack legroom and the sweeping roof makes it tough on the taller passenger but the plus side is a 310 litre boot and unlike the previous Beetle, the rear seats can be folded down to expand load space up to a maximum of 905-litres.

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It has already won a handful of awards from both car enthusiasts and industry pundits: now Jaguar's new XJ flagship is 'going large' in the prestige limousine sector.

Luxury cars don't come much bigger than the stretched XJ, which gives its well-heeled owners plenty of room to stretch out in the back and enjoy its climate control, big armchairs and TV and audio toys.

At 5.2 metres, the long wheelbase version is a whole 134mm longer than the standard XJ, making it so roomy that even a former deputy prime minister should be able to manage with only one Jag.

If that isn't enough of a saving, the three litre diesel version provides the effortless performance you'd expect of such a car with fuel economy still on the plus side of 40mpg and a relatively low emissions figure of 184g/km, better than some family hatchbacks.

That's partly due to its lightweight, all aluminium construction which also sharpens up

its handling compared to some of its rivals. It also has an aerodynamic, couple-like profile which to a degree belies its size.

The surprise is, though, that the sweeping roofline doesn't rob you of space in the rear, as you sink into the deep leather armchairs and stretch out your legs.

It was a bold move by Jaguar to switch so drastically from the iconic XJ outline which has become so familiar over the last 40 years. But the bold move proved successful when the car became the number one choice for British business buyers in its first six months on sale.

Many such cars are, no doubt, bought by those who prefer to travel in the back, their laptops busy on the polished walnut tray table in front of them.

But unlike some of the rolling canal boats in this class in the past, the owners will want to be drivers, too. With the diesel engine's whopping 600Nm of torque and a silky smooth six-speed automatic, the long wheelbase XK wafts along motorways in near silence.

Roadholding abilities

But it can also press you back in the seat with 0 to 62mph acceleration in six seconds, sweeping smoothly and comfortably along twisty A-roads thanks to its inherent roadholding abilities and a combination of adaptive electronic dynamics designed to cope with every eventuality. These are fitted not only for safety but to take some of the load from the driver – but with systems such as the rapid 'flappy paddle' gear change the human behind the wheel is still in control, and can enjoy the dynamics of a fine, powerful car.

Whether you're in the back or the driving seat, the XJ is a car capable of carrying its passengers for long distances in ultimate comfort, and getting them to their destination relaxed and ready for business or leisure.

At £69,520 the Portfolio model tested isn't cheap but it is competitive in its class, as it does come exceptionally well equipped with techni-



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cal and luxury features as standard. The optional extras were principally an upgrade to the rear seat entertainment pack, including the TV with two individual screens.

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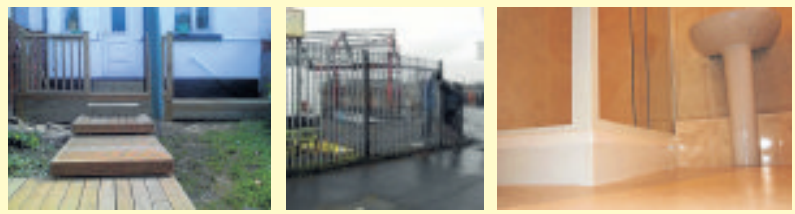
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ALMOND

Angela Margaret

nee Comerford

Of Cardington Drive, Shrewsbury. Passed away peacefully at the Severn Hospice, on March 12, 2012, aged 51 years. Beloved Wife of Mark, loving Daughter of Pat and Jean, dear Daughter-in-law of Rita, devoted Mother to Clare and Emma, treasured Nan to Elise. Much loved and sadly missed by Neil, Kevin, Mark, Andrew, Louise and their Partners and Families.

Funeral Service to take place at St Winefride's Church, Monkmoor, Shrewsbury, on Wednesday, March 28, 2012, at 1.30pm, followed by Committal at Shrewsbury Crematorium.

Family flowers only please but donations, if desired, to go to the Severn Hospice.

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CLARKE

Monica Jean
nee Cherry

Formerly of Bicton Heath and latterly Wall Heath, Kingswinford, passed away after a short illness on March 14, 2012, at Russell's Hall Hospital, Dudley, aged 74 years. Devoted Wife of John, loving Mum of Steven and Christopher, Mother-in-law of Christine and Judith, treasured Granny of Charlotte, Abby, Anna, Stuart, Duncan and Rosslyn and Sister of Michael.

Monica will be greatly missed by all her loving Family and Friends.

Funeral Service to be held at Emstrey Crematorium, Shrewsbury, on Tuesday, April 3, 2012, at 4pm.

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FREEMAN

Stella May

Peacefully on March 14, 2012, at Great Western Hospital, Swindon, Stella May, beloved Wife of Alistair (Bill) Freeman, formerly of Shrewsbury and Winchester.

Thanksgiving Service at West Wiltshire Crematorium, Semington, on Tuesday, March 27, at 10.45am.

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HULL

Janet

Of Conway Drive, Shrewsbury, passed away peacefully at the Severn Hospice, on March 12, 2012, aged 83 years.

Beloved Wife of the late Percy, loving Mum to Peter and Val.

Janet will be sadly missed by all her loving Family and many Friends.

Funeral Service to take place at Emstrey Crematorium, Shrewsbury, on Wednesday, March 28, at 1pm.

Family flowers only please, donations, if desired, to the Severn Hospice, for which purpose a donation box will be provided at Emstrey.

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RICHARDSON

Ivan Kenneth George
(Ike)

It is with great sadness the Family announce the passing of Ivan, peacefully, after a long illness, on Friday, March 16, 2012, at The Vicarage Nursing Home, aged 80.

Formerly of Ford and Cophthorne.

Beloved Husband of Beryl, dearest Father of Keryn, Ian and Hilary, loving Grandfather of Nick, Laura, Bethan, Ross, Charlotte, Alex, Kieran, Georgia and Rio, dear Father-in-law of Martin, Allison and Stan, dear Brother of Irene.

Funeral Service at Emstrey Crematorium, Shrewsbury, on Tuesday, March 27, 2012, at 9.30am.

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MORGAN

Iris Lottie

(Gem)

Of Llanidloes, Guilsfield, Shrewsbury.
Formerly of Darwin Gardens, Shrewsbury.

Devoted Wife of the late W Bryan Morgan, loving and much loved Mother and Mother-in-law of Angie and Richard.

Passed away peacefully and with dignity at The Uplands at Oxon Nursing Home, Bicton Heath, Shrewsbury, on March 4, 2012, aged 91 years.

Gem will be greatly missed by everyone who knew her.

Funeral Service at Shrewsbury Cemetery Chapel, Longden Road, on Thursday, March 29, 2012, at 12.30pm, followed by interment.

Family flowers only please, donations if desired to a charity chosen by the Family, would be much appreciated for which purpose a collection box will be provided at the Chapel.

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SIMMS

Evelyn

(Eve)

Formerly of Bomere Heath, passed away suddenly on March 9, 2012, at Sabrina House Residential Home, aged 90 years.

Devoted Wife of the late Ernest, loving Mum of Roger, Janet and Geoffrey, Mother-in-law of Joyce, Tony and Tammy, treasured Nana of Lucy, Joanna, Helen, Nicholas and Callum, Great-Nana of JJ, Bailey, Brooke, Eve, Faith and Madeline.

Funeral Service to be held at the Presbyterian Chapel, Bomere Heath, for which purpose a donation plate will be provided in the Chapel.

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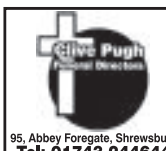
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Roger Royston
(Rog)

Elaine and Steve would sit proudly like Family, Friends and Neighbours for their kindness, support and lovely messages of sympathy received on the sad loss of our Dad.

A special thank you to Pat for all the love and care you gave Dad and for making him so happy over the last 3 years.

A big thank you to all the Staff at the Severn Hospice for their excellent care, treatment and support.

Thanks also to everyone for attendance at the Funeral for the kind donations, amounting to £352 in aid of the Severn Hospice and to Harry Edwards, Chaplain at the Severn Hospice for his thoughtful and comforting words at the Service, Frank Painter and Sons and The Holy Spirit Church for their kindness and professionalism.

LLOYD

Francis David

(Tanker)

Eileen and the Family sincerely thank all Relatives, Friends and Neighbours for their kindness, support and the many cards and messages of sympathy received in her sad loss.

Also for attendance at the Funeral and generous donations, totalling £363, which will support the Severn Hospice in David's memory.

Many thanks also to all Staff on Wards 26 and 28 at The Royal Shrewsbury Hospital. David was full of praise of all their care and attention during his illness.

Finally, special thanks to Aubrey Kirkham and the Reverend Philip Williams for their professionalism, kindness and understanding during this difficult time.

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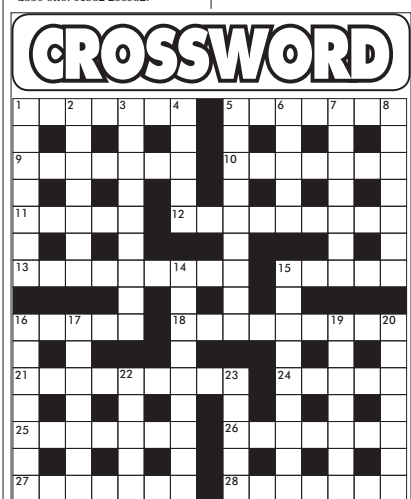
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Shiffall & Telford	4	2	1	67	40	17
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Shiffall & Telford A	12	6	5	31	28	13
Church Stretton A	12	6	5	31	29	11
Priorisee Lions A	12	4	6	25	35	10
Ludlow A	12	1	10	17	42	5
Wellington A	12	0	12	9	17	3

DIVISION 2

	P	W	L	F	A	Pts
Telford B	12	10	2	42	18	20
Shiffall & Telford B	12	9	3	37	22	18
Shrewsbury B	12	6	4	31	29	14
Priorisee Lions B	12	6	5	31	28	13
Priorisee Lions C	13	5	7	32	35	11
Telford C	13	4	8	30	34	9
Oswestry A	13	3	8	27	38	8
Wellington B	11	1	9	17	38	3

DIVISION 3

	P	W	L	F	A	Pts
Newport B	11	6	5	27	15	17
Shiffall & Telford C	11	6	1	30	14	16
Newport C	11	4	6	23	21	13
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Oswestry B	11	4	5	22	21	12
Telford D	11	0	9	9	34	2

Tense time for fourths

THERE was an unwanted late sting in the tail for Shrewsbury's fourth team as they were edged out 2-1 by Telford.

The result means Shrewsbury go into Saturday's final match of the season at Wolverhampton needing to win to guarantee promotion after an end of season wobble.

Telford took the lead after Shrewsbury failed to clear the ball from their 'D'. Clem Cooper found the top corner of the Telford net to equalise just before half-time.

Shrewsbury were inspired by this and had a spell of sustained pressure on the Telford goal without success before a defensive mix-up handed Telford the winner with 10 minutes to go.

Stanton A still on top despite defeat to title rivals

DIVISION ONE
HARLESCOTT A 3 STANTON A 2

The top two teams met at the Harlescott Club. Stanton just lost the match 3-2, but still led the table by four points with one game to go, writes **JOHN TECKOE**.

First up was Callum Wright, who beat Lee Barker by 95-14. This was another great frame from Wright, who potted brilliantly all frame including a 34 break, joining the last red with all the colours of the rainbow spots. Barker missed a couple of good chances.

Then came Steve Maddocks, who beat Tony Watkins 93-31. It was an excellent frame from Maddocks, with a 31 break early on putting him in charge. Watkins never got going as Maddocks continued to pot well for an easy win.

With Harlescott 2-0 up, Roger Davies faced John Banks in frame three. This was a tense affair, with the importance of the game getting to Banks as Davies potted really well to move 2-0 ahead.

Banks eventually moved to 17 up but left Davies a frame and a chance to get back into the game but he missed the blue, allowing Banks to pinch the frame by 76-41.

Champs beaten Still hope despite whitewash

CHAMPIONS Shrewsbury suffered only a second defeat of the season as they ended their Midland Feeder League West title campaign with a 2-1 defeat at county rivals Bridgnorth.

"We didn't play well at all and it was aided and abetted by two below average umpires," said Shrewsbury captain Lynsey Cater.

"It was a disappointing way to end the season, but never mind. Our player of the match was Annie Pugh who put in some cracking tackles in defence and showed some excellent distribution."

Bridgnorth went ahead from a penalty corner before Lucy Ratcliffe popped up with an equaliser.

Despite having the majority of the possession, Shrewsbury could not break down the Bridgnorth defence again and the hosts sealed victory with a goal from a very acute angle.

Shrewsbury might still have rescued a draw had a key decision not gone against them with time running out.

Cater said, "We had a penalty corner on the last whistle and the initial save fell to me at the top of the 'D' for a strike.

"A clumsy tackle from a Bridgnorth defender saw us penalised for a stick tackle, interesting considering I was in control of the ball and she was tackling me.

"But the umpire blew the final whistle and we all stood there in disbelief."

SALLY TAYLOR, the captain of Shrewsbury Ladies 2nd XI, sounded an upbeat note as she reflected on a testing season which saw her side relegated as backmarkers in the Midland Feeder League West.

Shrewsbury failed to win a game as they lost all of their matches, the final one 10-0 against Birmingham University III, but Taylor was quick to praise the team spirit and, as she looks forward to life back in the Shropshire County League, she's optimistic about the future.

Taylor said: "Despite not being able to register a single point this season, there have been some great performances from the squad."

"Many of the scorelines have been far from a fair reflection of the quality of hockey we have played and the effort contributed by the players, especially in the final few fixtures."

"Unfortunately for us, our two biggest

weaknesses throughout the season have been the things that would cost any team dearly, a lack of firepower in front of goal and a porous last line of defence.

"The gap between this league and the Shropshire League from which we were promoted is huge but the spirit within the squad, even in the face of so many defeats, has been brilliant."

Contributions

"We hope to have more or less the same squad come September and have been boosted by the agreement of Simon Taylor to continue as our coach so we will be aiming to improve in all areas next season."

As for their final outing of the season which saw the Birmingham students rattle up double figures at Shrewsbury's expense, Taylor added: "We were far from disgraced in terms of performance."

"There were huge contributions from

many of the team, including Esther Munro, Katy Leicester, Mary Davies and Lesley Thomson, but the player of the match award went to Zoe Evans."

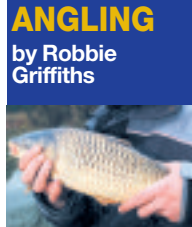
It took the visitors just eight minutes to open the scoring when a diagonal ball sliced through the defence for a tap-in at the far post.

It was 4-0 by the break and in the second half, with the pace of the game beginning to take its toll on the home side, Birmingham continued to look for more goals.

Despite some excellent defending from many of the Shrewsbury players, the visitors continued to find the net at regular intervals.

Determined to avoid a double-figures drubbing, the home side burnt every last ounce of energy to take the fight to Birmingham in the dying minutes but were undone once again by the pace of their opponents' counter attack as they added a late tenth.

Williams lands top weight at Springlea



THURSDAY'S match on the Horseshoe pool at Springlea was won by Mick Williams with a nice catch of 46-7-0 from peg 20, including carp to 4lb as well as a nice bag of skimmers to 1lb.

Key Pilsbury was second from peg 24. He caught mainly carp to 6lb down the edge to weigh 41-8-0. Stef Davies completed the top three with 27-3-0 of carp and skimmers from peg 3, his fish falling to pellet and corn.

Saturday's open match was on the Mallard pool where Mike Buttery won the way with an excellent 49-7-0 from peg 7. He fished for small silverfish for the first three hours, catching an impressive 25-0-0 of them and then landed eight small carp late on for his total.

John Edwards was a distant second with 18-6-0 from peg 41, catching on corn fished towards the point while Jason Heath was third with 16-14-0 from peg 19, skimmers and carp making up his weight.

The latest open match at Wigmore fishery was fished in fine weather and it was Shane Stevens on peg 11 that found the skimmers with a winning weight of 17-13-0, all caught on maggots.

Second place went to Glyn Watts with 15-0-0 on peg 51. He found skimmers and tench again on maggots. Third placed Dave Painton was only an ounce behind with 14-15-0 of skimmers caught on pellet.

Sunday's match on the Mallard pool at Springlea was again won by Mike Buttery. He again fished for silvers, this time netting 17-9-0 of them along with carp to make a final weight of 34-6-0.

Terry Armitage was second with 27-8-0 from peg 48 in the corner. He fished corn and paste to land some decent carp to 8lb. Key Sudlow was third and top weight at the other end of the pool, weighing in 26-15-0 at peg 34.

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The Montgomeryshire Angling Association AGM is being held on April 15 at the Welshpool Working Men's club at 8pm.

PLACINGS

ENER-G Midland League					
WEST MIDLANDS PREMIER					
	P	W	L	F	Pts
Bridgnorth	16	10	6	95	28
Old Haleonsians	19	12	4	72	29
Old Silhillians	19	13	7	78	45
Hampton-in-Arden	19	11	3	87	50
Shrewsbury	19	9	5	70	54
Aldridge & Wallasey	20	10	6	63	51
Finchfield	19	7	9	50	44
Sikh Union	19	4	12	39	57
Coventry City A	19	3	14	47	100
Droitwich	19	2	15	42	89
Solihull Blossom	19	1	17	21	112
Midland Ladies League					
FEEDER WEST					
	P	W	L	F	Pts
Shrewsbury	18	0	2	58	44
Bham Uns	18	1	5	58	18
Stourport	18	0	6	40	29
South Cheshire	18	7	3	38	35
Edgistoil	18	9	6	30	27
Stone	18	8	7	40	35
Hindley	18	6	6	39	42
Telford & Wrekin	18	5	10	43	56
Bromsgrove	18	5	12	37	65
Shrewsbury	18	0	18	5	73
Cheshire League					
DIVISION 1					
	P	W	L	F	Pts
Neston Stn Wirral	18	14	1	79	20
Bowdon	17	11	3	42	24
Willowslaw	18	9	4	40	25
Salford	18	9	6	46	27
Tramperley	18	8	5	43	25
Hindley	18	6	6	39	42
Winnington Park	17	7	8	46	37
Wreatham Glyndwr	18	6	9	25	21
South Cheshire	18	5	11	34	13
Knuttsford	18	5	12	46	68
Whitchurch	17	2	12	24	85

Heath hits four as skipper Simon signs off in style

OUTGOING skipper Simon Taylor enjoyed a glorious send-off as Shrewsbury turned on the style to outclass Coventry City & University 7-2.

Taylor has opted to stand down as captain after two years at the helm - and he signed off on a positive note as his free-scoring side gave Coventry a real lesson.

Taylor is unavailable for Shrewsbury's final match of the season at Finchfield on Saturday but is confident the Meole Brace men can end their highly encouraging campaign in the West Midland League premier division by notching another win.

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"It was a really nice way to end my reign," said Taylor. "I'm happy where the team have got to in the last couple of years.

"I feel we've played some good hockey this season and we've bonded well together.

"I'm happy to take a back-seat now but I still plan to be involved.

"Apart from myself, everyone's available for this weekend and, given how many

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SAHA eight-goal rampage sets up Masonic meeting in cup final

SAHA ran riot as they cruised through to the final of the Shrewsbury Sunday League's SHB Management Cup final to set up a clash against Masonic next month, **writes STUART DUNN**.

Doubles from Chris Tramens and Lewis Goodwin helped SAHA overwhelm Red Barn to the tune of an 8-0 rout.

The other semi-final was a tighter affair, as Masonic saw off Saddlers 3-1 with the goals shared by Nick Higgs, Scott Wells and Mike Fox. The final will be at the Shrewsbury Sports Village on Sunday April 22.

Harlescott Social Club also have a cup final to look forward to, in their case in the Consolation Cup after just about scraping past Peacock 5-4 after extra time, in a real cracker of a game.

In a tie brought forward a week, goals from Sam Jones, Andrew Williams, Andy Simpson, Shane Owen and an extra time winner from

FOOTBALL by Stuart Dunn

Nappy Brown proved decisive.

Harlescott will take on either Upton Magna or Norbury, who go head-to-head this weekend, in the final.

There was also action in the Jason Bramall Cup last Sunday with Unison beating St Lucia 2-1 in a delayed quarter-final, thanks to strikes from Ian Roberts and Adam Walder. Unison will face the winners of Sunday's meeting between Three Fishes and Santos next.

Away from the drama of the cup, there were plenty of games played in the Greenhous

Shrewsbury & District Sunday Football League.

Champions Instones United did not have it all their own way in preserving their unbeaten record in the premier division as they were forced to dig deep to beat Meole Brace 4-3.

Doubles from Darren Jarman and Sean Butler steered the Grocers to three more points as Carl Williams, Dominic Sadd and Steve O'Reilly replied for Meole.

Compasses crashed at home to Wem Sunday, going down 4-1, with Mattie Owen and Dave Walbyoff both netting twice for the north Shropshire side.

Despite a Matt Boswell goal, Pontesbury were frustrated to drop points from a 1-1 draw against Church Stretton, for whom Chris Hook struck. Pontesbury will now be looking over their shoulder at Cruckton who could pip them in the race for a runners-up spot.

Condover Foxes breathed fresh life into their bid to escape the drop in division one as goals from Russ Adams and Key Jones steered them to a 2-0 win over Upton Magna, the side directly above them in the bottom three.

Fading Coton Rovers lost 4-3 to Bomere Heath at Sundorne despite leading three times. A double from the diminutive Andy Boyling helped win it for the villagers.

Crown Coleham, the bottom side, claimed three very useful points by getting the better of high flying Norbury 3-0.

Kris Phillips netted twice and Laurie Bridle was also on the mark, not that he knew too much about it as the ball hit him on the back of the head and went in.

There was an entertaining game in the second division as Telegraph beat arch rivals Swan 4-3 in a game where the lead changed hands several times. Andy Simms, John Marsh and a

Darren McCue brace sealed an exciting win for Telegraph while Swan went away feeling they deserved at least a draw.

Title hopefuls Belvidere Sports were free-scoring once again as they beat Loppington 6-2 at Monkmoor, the highlight a brace from Ryan Goodall.

Grove Hotel struggled for a team for their clash against Brockton Rovers and, after going 4-0 down, they lost three players through injury so the game was abandoned.

"The League committee will discuss the matter at the next committee meeting," said Sunday League secretary Dave Sandles.

There were no games in division three, but in the fourth division leaders Sundorne swept aside the Prince of Wales 4-2 with goals from Liam Andrews, Ant Higgins and Alex Davies (2). Andrew Walker got both for the Prince of Wales.

Tennis club serves up a chance for families

TENNIS is definitely a family affair at one club that is offering the chance for youngsters to join in.

Owing to popular demand, Shrewsbury Lawn Tennis Club is offering a family membership where two children can join for free when their parents join.

This new initiative is due to feedback from parents whose children are already attending the after-school tennis that is on offer for children and run by the club coach Laura Oakes.

Although the tennis season does not usually commence until April, the current spell of warm weather has encouraged people to start playing tennis a little earlier than usual.

In fact, the club has had a record number of players playing all winter due to the dry and mild conditions.

Shrewsbury Lawn Tennis Club is the premiere grass court club in Shropshire, set in a beautiful location next to the River Severn.

It has many plans for improvement throughout 2012 and to enable prospective new members to take a look at the club they are holding an open day and start of season tournament for members new and old on March 25.

Throughout the morning there will be sessions for junior tennis players from 9.30am until 12.30pm and an adult session from 12.30pm until 1.30pm.

Refreshments will be available and at 2pm there will be a tennis tournament for all to enter.

Contact club coach Laura, on 07715 398165 for further details.

Shrewsbury Lawn Tennis Club will also be hosting an Easter Tennis Camp for children and adults. Details are again available from Laura on the above number.

There will be an end of camp barbecue on Saturday, April 14.



Shrewsbury ABC coach Davey Robb with new champion Luke Merryfield

Ring master Hough back as Severnside box clever

BOXING history has repeated itself with Shrewsbury & Severnside ABC returning to Ditherington for weekly classes for the first time in 30 years.

Trainer Colin Hough previously enjoyed tremendous success in the Shrewsbury district with a wealth of boxing talent emerging from the area to serve the established county town club well.

Now Hough has agreed to return to Ditherington and he held his first session there for three decades last in the presence of Tony Durnell, the mayor of Shrewsbury.

Boxing classes will be held at the Ditherington Community Centre each Monday night between 6.45-8.45pm.

They will complement the sessions Hough already runs at the Elms, in the shadow of the Shirehall, on Wednesdays at 6.30pm and Sundays from 5.15pm.

Hough said: "I have been asked for ages to come back to Ditherington. I was there 30 years ago and we enjoyed tremendous success."

Reunion

"We had lads like Paul Dowler, who went on to box for England, plus Roddy Doran and Neil Marston who both later turned professional and the three Rogers boys, who were all talented lads."

"We are hoping for a good response and all we can do is provide the facility and see what happens."

Hough would be delighted to welcome new recruits and they can either turn up on a Monday night or contact him on 01743 366 286 for more details.

Meanwhile, two Severnside boxers were recently in action at shows – and both ended up on the wrong side of points verdicts.

Connor Lewis, 13, faded after a bright start as he was edged out on a very tight majority decision by Vasri Ahmed, of Stoke's Meir ABC, at Abbey Hulton.

BOXING by Stuart Dunn

Hough said: "Connor won the first two rounds but then fell away, which I wasn't very happy about."

Elsewhere, Severnside's Jack Roberts, of Nobold, took on Wellington Academy's Aaron Fiaz at Ludlow Racecourse, with the West Midland light middleweight belt up for grabs.

Roberts gave a good account of himself against a highly rated opponent, but Hough had no complaints at the decision going against the local lad.

He said: "They had met once before and it was a very close contest."

"They had done their homework on Jack and he had difficulty getting to Fiaz, who stayed on the back-foot."

"Considering Fiaz has won all nine of his contests this season and recently beat a national champion, Jack did well and there was nothing to be ashamed of."

Hough is out again on Friday with Severnside's Lewis Milner, from Harlescott, competing in Kingston.

Oar-some day out for Shrewsbury girls



The Shrewsbury School girls crew and two crews from Pengwern after the Women's Head of the River Race

WOMEN'S rowing is going from strength to strength in Shrewsbury.

This year three crews from the town competed in the annual Women's Head of the River Race held on the famous Boat Race course in London with no fewer than 290 other crews taking part.

This was the first trip south for both the Shrewsbury School girls' crew and Pengwern Boat Club's

novice crew, who started next to each other as new entries.

It was also the first time in recent history that three teams from the same stretch of water had attended the Women's Head, marking a significant rise in female rowers in the region.

"The day itself began with persistent drizzle, but thankfully it cleared for the race itself," said Clare Wilson, head of girls' rowing

at Shrewsbury School.

"The results suggest promise of more to come from this provincial stretch of water."

Pengwern's senior women finished 133rd with a time of 22:58.94, Shrewsbury School posted a time of 24:22.49, with the Pengwern novice crew crossing the line in 26:41.89.

All three crews returned to the River Severn to continue with their racing season.

Wheeler youngsters have a day at the races

THREE of Mid Shropshire Wheelers' promising young cyclists took part in the first round of the Dolan series of youth races in Southport.

Kieran Morris, Beth Coupland and James Ellmore travelled north to compete in the first of the three-week rounds.

Kieran was first to race. Managing to get in the main breakaway which stayed away until the end, he finished 11th.

Meanwhile Beth and James were drawn together in the first of two under-16 races.

The standard was high with the north west girls team being selected from this race. Beth looked strong early on, only to be taken out by another rider.

James managed an attack at one point off the front but was brought back, finally finishing seventh.

Kieran's second race was the handicap. His group soon brought back earlier starters and contested the sprint, this time finishing seventh.

Starters

James' handicap race went well with him looking strong and finishing well in 12th, since the early starters were given a very large head start.

Elsewhere, Oswestry Paragon CC hosted the second round of the Friction and Hydraulic Services Series 2012 with their hilly 17-mile Time Trial last Saturday.

Three Midlands riders took part with Simon Evans posting the fastest time from the club with 55:03, knocking one minute and 13 seconds off his previous best time.

Close on his heels was Jenny York in a time of 55:06 and taking first place in the ladies event, nearly four minutes ahead of the second place lady.

Dave York was the third Mid to enjoy a good ride as he stopped the clock in 56:09.

The Wheelers hold a full day's racing at the Sundorne Sports Village on Saturday starting at 10am.

The programme is: Under 8 to 10 year olds 5km at 10am, Under 12 10.30am, Youth B 11am, Youth A 11.30am, Senior E123 12.15pm, Women and 4th cat men 1.15pm, Senior Men 3rd cat 2pm.

Pre-entry via British Cycling or entries on the day.

PLACINGS

Shrewsbury Bell League

FINAL LEAGUE TABLE					
	P	W	L	Av	Pts
Briedden	14	13	11	1171.51	26
Teleport	14	11	11	3702.29	22
Unison	14	9	5	5187.97	18
The Plough	14	7	7	7164.80	14
Harlescott SC A	14	6	7	7187.25	13
Harlescott SC B	14	4	4	10163.18	8
Tankerville	14	4	4	10162.22	8
Marchamley	14	1	1	12156.50	3

Shrewsbury ABC fighters get busy with wins

SHREWSBURY ABC youngsters have pulled off some fine victories over a hectic few weeks, **writes STUART DUNN**.

Cameron Robb, the nephew of the club's head coach Davey Robb, was all smiles after ending a run of six straight defeats.

Robb turned the corner by beating R Gilbert from Stoke and Trent's Five Towns ABC at 42kg, a timely confidence boost after being on the wrong side of some dubious and close decisions.

He gave the Stoke lad a boxing lesson in the Potteries, winning all three rounds convincingly, with Gilbert taking a standing count in the second and third rounds.

Shrewsbury's James Martin beat Ludlow fighter J Tunncliffe at 69kg at a show in the South Shropshire town.

Both boxers were having their second bouts and this was a very close contest, with both lads giving their all in front of an appreciative crowd, with Martin taking the verdict on a majority decision.

Coach Robb said: "James has now had two wins from two contests. He's still very raw and we feel he needs a little bit more work in the gym before he competes again."

"But he has lots of courage and dedication which will, hopefully, help him to achieve his goals and become a great boxer for us."

Shrewsbury ABC were represented as the junior ABAs, the national championships for all boxers born between 1994 and 1996, got under way with the opening preliminary rounds held at Donnington Working Men's club in Telford.

Luke Merryfield, formerly with Shrewsbury & Severnside ABC, was the only entry at 57-60kg in class four, so became West Midlands champion without competing.

Coach Robb said: "We know in the whole of the Midlands there are some very good boxers we will meet."

"Hopefully, he's on the way to his first Midlands title since joining us from Shrewsbury & Severnside ABC."

Dillon Robb, another of the coach's nephews, competed at 57-60kg in class five. He has really started to come of age and has become a very good boxer.

Talented

Robb was drawn against H Khan from Smethwick's Windmill ABC and Dillon boxed very well in all three rounds to be crowned West Midlands champion.

Coach Robb said: "He gave a very confident and assured performance to win by a unanimous decision."

"He will now go on to the next round and, hopefully, will win his first Midlands title having lost a very close decision last year by 21-20 on points."

Lenny Evans, the club's 54-57kg in class five, reached the national semi-finals last year, so Shrewsbury ABC are hoping he can go one better this year and make it through to the final.

Evans overcame the talented Brandon Jones, of Lions ABC at Donnington.

He is the brother of England international Connor Jones, who Evans recently beat, and Brandon was determined to try and gain revenge for the family.

Coach Robb said: "From the first bell to the last, he just walked forward attempting to try and KO Evans."

"But all this did was give Lenny the job of boxing on the back foot and winning by a unanimous decision."

"But, due to three boxers entering at this stage, Lenny has only done half of the job and will now move on to face Wednesday ABC's Jake Doody."

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Mark Jenks - happy to get through to the semis

Shifnal see double as Shawbury twins score

IDENTICAL twins Liam and Colom Dumthry were both on target as Shawbury United maintained their push for a top 10 finish in the West Midlands League premier division with a 3-2 win at county rivals Shifnal Town.

Now Dave Richards wants his happy travellers to shine again when they aim to complete an impressive double at home to high flying Wolverhampton Casuals on Saturday (3pm).

"We had a very good 2-0 win at Casuals," said Richards. "They're a good side but if we go about it how we did that day then we'll stand a good chance."

Richards was delighted with his team's display at Phoenix Park and the only slight disappointment was Shawbury did not emerge more convincing winners.

He said: "We really should have won more comfortably. We absolutely dominated in the second half playing down the slope. Their keeper made two great saves and Dave Walbyoff hit the bar."

All the goals came in an exciting first half. Shawbury drew first blood when Liam Dumthry, having already had a 'goal' chalked off, rose highest to power in a header from a Mattie Owen cross.

Chris Henry quickly levelled, although Richards felt the striker was offside, but Shawbury then moved 3-1 in front.

Glyn Evans converted a penalty he took himself and was then involved in a flowing move which was stylishly finished off by Colom Dumthry.

Bobby Spooner turned the ball into his own net for Shifnal's second goal just before half time, but Shawbury were never in any danger of relinquishing their hold in the game.

PLACINGS

West Midlands League Premier Division						
P	W	D	L	GD	Pts	
Black Country Rng	27	5	4	77	86	
Gornal Athletic	22	24	6	2	74	78
AFW Wulfrunians	33	21	4	8	24	67
Witton Casuals	31	19	5	45	64	
Wendrichfield	32	17	6	9	57	61
Bewdley Tn	28	17	3	8	23	54
Dudley Tn	33	15	7	6	52	
Goodrich	32	14	10	8	50	
Cradley Tn	31	15	4	12	49	
Dawbury Utd	32	13	6	13	2	45
Dawley Sports	34	13	4	17	28	43
Wellington	33	12	6	15	-5	42
Shifnal Tn	33	11	8	14	3	41
Spitting Khalsa	30	12	2	16	-12	38
Lye Tn	32	9	10	13	-14	37
Malvern Tn	31	10	7	14	-17	37
Pegasus Jns	32	11	4	17	-16	37
Stafford Tn	31	9	8	14	-16	35
Witton Sporting	28	8	14	-10	30	
Buellthorne	31	6	2	23	-38	20
Bromyard Tn	33	2	7	24	-34	13
Darlaston Tn	30	3	2	25	-82	11

Haughmond spot kicks drama Big crowd hope

HAUGHMOND scraped through to the last four of the West Midlands League Second Division Cup to set up a two-legged clash with Mahal after holding their nerve to edge a penalty shootout success at Wrens Nest.

The Shrewsbury side had to dig deep to force a 2-2 draw after trailing 2-0 early in the second half before goalkeeper Anthony Prince saved two spot-kicks as Haughmond prevailed 3-1 on penalties.

"It was nice to get through but I was disappointed with our performance in extra time," said Haughmond manager Mark Jenks. "Wrens Nest had a man sent off and then, having used all their subs, lost a player to injury but we didn't play well against nine men and they

worked harder than us.

"When it got to penalties, I thought it wasn't going to be our day, but we managed to get through."

Despite controlling the first half for long stages, Haughmond were 1-0 down at the break and it got worse for the county towners after the restart when Wrens Nest doubled their advantage.

Scramble

Top scorer Dan Perry started the comeback by heading Haughmond back into contention before Darren Jarman applied the final touch to a goalmouth scramble 15 minutes from time.

When it eventually came down to

penalties, Alex Johnson cracked Haughmond's first spot kick against the bar before Dan Williams, Perry and Ben Mathews concerted.

Keeper Prince also pulled off a couple of sharp stops to send Haughmond through.

"We were a bit thin squad wise so it was just nice to get through," added Jenks.

Haughmond, the second division leaders, take a break from their title chasing this weekend to instead concentrate on the club's sportsman's dinner at Shrewsbury Town's Greenhow Meadow.

Former England star Paul Merson will be the guest speaker at Saturday night's sell out event.

ELLESMERE RANGERS are set to play in front of their biggest crowd of the season when they head to Gresley Rovers in the Midland Alliance on Saturday.

The Derbyshire club, riding high in third spot, regularly attract home gates of more than 300 supporters.

Rangers, who were playing their Shropshire County Cup semi-final against Morda United last night (Wednesday), climbed up to 15th spot in the Alliance with a 1-0 home win over Nottinghamshire outfit Dunkirk last weekend.

Ellesmere had to be patient with Sean Butler popping up to grab the winning goal 10 minutes from time.

Craig Farr hooked the ball across goal and Butler, the former Shrewsbury Town youth teamer, lashed home to secure three points.

"It wasn't the best of games," said Rangers manager Matt Burton. "There wasn't a lot of quality in it."

Rangers are also off on their travels this coming Tuesday night (7.45pm) when they head to Willenhall Town, the side rooted to the bottom of the Alliance.

PLACINGS

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Premier division cup, round one: Broseley Juniors 0, Dawley Villa 0 (aet); Church Street 0, Hodnet 1; Impact United 1, Wellington

Amateurs Reserves 6, Ludlow Town 4, Ketley Bank 0; Shifnal United 97 1, Telford Juniors 0.

Division one: Allicott 2, Oakengates Athletic 4; Hopesgate 4, Rock Rovers 2; Ludlow Town Reserves 1, Shawbury United Reserves 1; Meole Brace 0, Bishop's Castle Town 3; Oswestry Lions 5, Brown Cle 1; Weston Rhym 2, Wrockwardine Wood Juniors 1; Wroxeter Rovers 3, Hanwood United Reserves 0.

PREMIER DIVISION						
P	W	D	L	GD	Pts	
Newport Town	23	15	5	35	25	48
Ketley Bank Utd	22	13	3	52	26	48
FC Hodnet	26	11	7	48	32	41
Telford Juniors	24	11	6	50	37	40
Ludlow Town	22	11	6	50	26	38
Church Street	23	9	8	41	36	33
Morda Utd	20	9	2	33	20	32
Shifnal Utd 97	23	8	8	46	34	31
Ellesmere Rovers	22	8	8	61	37	30
Wellington Am's Res	20	7	6	43	29	28
Dawley Villa	27	10	38	51	26	
Broseley Juniors	23	6	13	27	49	22
Whitchurch Atp Res	22	4	17	34	63	17
Impact Utd	24	1	21	15	132	5

DIVISION 1						
P	W	D	L	GD	Pts	
Weston Rhym	23	16	5	46	31	50
Allscott	21	16	2	72	33	48
Oswestry Lions	25	14	6	63	36	44
Hanwood Utd Res	24	11	7	55	40	44
Oakengates Ath	22	14	7	55	34	43
Prees	26	13	9	56	40	43
Wroxeter Rovers	23	13	9	66	46	40
Rock Rovers	24	12	8	55	40	40
Bishops Castle Tn	26	11	11	56	47	37
Shawbury Utd Res	25	10	43	53	35	
Meole Brace	25	12	57	61	31	
Brown Cle	22	8	11	41	64	27
Hopesgate Utd	24	6	16	34	68	20
Wrock Wd Jrs	25	6	19	34	63	18
Ludlow Town Res	24	17	34	63	15	
Clee Hill	25	3	19	26	76	12

Greenhous Shrewsbury & District Sunday

Premier Division: Compasps 1, Wem Sunday 4; Intones Utd 4, Meole Brace 3.

Division one: Condover Foxes 2, Upton Magna 0; Colton Rovers 3, Bomere Heath 4; Crown Coleham 3, Norbury 0.

Division two: Belvedere Sports 6, Loppington 2; Grove Hotel 0, Brockton Rovers 4; Telegraph 4, Swan AFC 3.

Division four: Sundorne AFC 4, Prince of Wales 2.

PREMIER						
P	W	D	L	GD	Pts	
Intones Utd	15	14	1	0	50	43
Portsmouth	16	10	2	4	36	32
Reman AFC	15	8	2	5	26	26
Cruckton Rovers	14	7	4	3	16	25
Meole Brace	16	6	4	6	7	22
Wem Sunday	17	6	4	7	0	22
Compasps	16	4	8	21	16	
Peacock Corniths	13	4	1	8	-21	13
Church Stretton	12	2	1	9	-16	7
Crown A/Foregate	16	2	1	13	-51	7

DIVISION 1						
P	W	D	L	GD	Pts	
Hop & Friar	13	9	4	0	19	31
Anchor Inn	13	9	2	2	26	29
Norbury	15	7	4	4	6	25
Bomere Heath	17	7	3	7	-2	24
Markonm	15	6	4	9	22	
Colton Rovers	16	7	1	8	9	22
Harlescott Social	15	5	4	6	-5	19
Upton Magna	14	4	2	8	-15	14
Condover Foxes	16	3	10	-27	12	
Crown Coleham	14	2	3	9	-20	9

DIVISION 2						
P	W	D	L	GD	Pts	
Heathgates	15	13	1	1	48	40
Belvedere Sports	16	12	3	1	63	39
Loppington	9	1	4	14	28	
Minsterley	13	7	0	6	18	21
Rock Rovers	17	6	3	8	-19	21
Swan AFC	16	6	10	-32	18	
Telegraph	14	5	2	7	-14	17
Grove Hotel	16	4	2	10	-19	14
Brockton Rovers	15	3	4	8	-20	13
Admiral Duncan	14	1	2	11	-39	5

DIVISION 3						
P	W	D	L	GD	Pts	
Three Fishes	15	14	0	1	38	42
S.A.H.A.	14	10	0	24	30	
Stretton Galaxy	16	9	1	6	-4	28
Masonic	13	8	1	4	13	25
Waggon Athletic	13	8	1	11	25	
Two Henries	14	4	4	6	-1	16
Bull In The Barne	15	4	2	9	-13	14
Nags Head	13	1	1	11	-31	4
St Lucia	15	1	0	14	-37	3

DIVISION 4						
P	W	D	L	GD	Pts	
Sundorne AFC	14	12	2	0	35	38
Union	14	10	3	1	26	33
Bird In Hand	14	8	2	4	24	26
Rock Rovers Youth	13	5	2	4	26	23
Saddlers	18	1	1	16	-4	19
Prince of Wales	15	2	3	7	-11	18
Red Barn	12	5	1	6	5	16
Hop & Friar	14	2	1	11	-13	14
Iron on the Green	13	2	1	10	-47	6
Santos	16	1	1	14	-49	4

Roche North Shropshire Sunday League

Cross Fives 2, Athletic Market 2; Oak Inn 13, Black Lion Colts 1.

Charter Standard Cup: Malpas 0, Dudleston Heath 2.

P W D L GD Pts						
Dudleston Heath	16	12	2	2	66	38
The Oak	15	12	1	2	66	37
Oswestry Bell	13	8	3	1	67	28
Black Lion Colts	16	7	2	7	-14	23
Malpas	13	7	1	5	-1	22
Cross Fives	15	5	4	8	20	
Athletic Market	16	3	4	9	-15	
Llanymynech	16	1	2	13	-73	5
Ironworks	15	1	1	13	-78	4

Shrewsbury Quiz League

Prince of Wales A 17 15 21351139 45
Belle Vue Tavern B 18 13 313571242 41
Crown & Sceptre 18 11 311297 34
The Cook Inn 17 10 612861180 31
Dog & Pheasant 16 10 611861100 30
Belle Vue Tavern A 17 9 811841221 27
Cross Fives 17 8 712401213 26
Bickton Club 16 7 811481145 22
Cross Gates 18 5 112251303 17
Prince of Wales B 17 4 11821 12
Boars Head 17 3 310471253 10
Belle Vue Tavern A 54, Prince of Wales A 79, Crown & Sceptre 72, Cross Gates 73, Cross Fives 64, Dog & Pheasant 76, Boars Head 57, The Cook Inn 72, Belle Vue Tavern 80, Prince of Wales B 67.

Shropshire Women's & Girls League

Under 11 Green: Frankwell 3, Shifnal 0; Whitchurch Jns 0, Newport Rvs 5.

Under 13 Cherrily Cup, semi-final: Church Stretton 1, Frankwell Devils 0; Llanymynech 3 Bridgnorth 2.

Under 13 Brown: Wrekin Panthers 3, Ellesmere 0.

Under 13 Black: Albrington 0 SAHA 3; Frankwell Rangers 1, Market Drayton Tigers 6.

Under 15 Pink: Frankwell 0, Llanymynech 6; Worthenbury 1, Wroxeter 1.

Under 15 Purple: Prees 2, Shifnal 3; SAHA 4, Blusbell 1.

FOOTBALL by Stuart Dunn

Absences wreck Alport final hopes

THE absence of four regulars proved key as Whitchurch Alport lost 3-0 at Rudheath in the semi-final of the Cheshire League's President's cup.

Danny Higgins was ruled out with a hamstring injury, Ryan Willis and Gavin Brocklehurst were both away and Rich O'Keeffe was cup-tied.

"Being forced to make changes upset the balance of the team and it showed in a poor first half performance," admitted Alport boss Andy Allmark.

The Yockings Park men, who have no game this weekend, were 2-0 down by half-time.

They played much better after the restart and brothers Chris and Dave Suddaby both forced saves from the home goalkeeper.

But, with Alport pushing forward, they were picked off on the break when Rudheath added a late third with 10 minutes left.

Allmark added: "We changed things around at half-time and it was a lot better in the second half, but we paid for a poor first half."

"In these sort of games you need to be at full strength, we weren't and we paid for it."



Hanwood Reserves' Mike Booth takes on Wroxeter's Stuart Kirkbride, during the game at the Union Club.



Hanwood Reserves' skipper Sam Kinsey (right) gets a powerful header towards the Wroxeter goal, forcing an equally excellent stop from keeper Brad Gale, in an end to end game. Also pictured is Wroxeter's Aiden Forbes in mid-air, with Hanwood's Dan Jones behind Aiden. Picture: Iain Thomsons.

Hanwood hopes fading after Wroxeter setback

WROXETER ROVERS threw another spanner in the fading Sportsjamkits.com Shropshire County League first division title challenge of HANWOOD UNITED RESERVES.

Both Matthew Brookes and Aaron Pinches grabbed their 12th goals of the season while Stewart Farley was also on target as Wroxeter eased to a 3-0 win at the Union Club.

A Nick Higgs brace was the only highlight for Shrewsbury-based ROCK ROVERS as they went down 4-2 at HOPESGATE UNITED, sunk by goals from Billy Goodall, Rob Hartshorn, Joel Yapp and Ryan Morgan.

MEOLE BRACE were swept aside 3-0 at home by Bishop's Castle, SHAWBURY UNITED RESERVES claimed a point from a 1-1 draw at Ludlow Town Reserves while PREES saw off Clee Hill 3-1.

The first division has new leaders with Weston Rhyn now in pole position following a 2-1 verdict at home to Wrockwardine Wood Juniors.

Allscott, the long-time pacesetter, lost 4-2 at home to Oakengates Athletic.

Top flight clubs were involved in the Sportsjamkits.com Premier Division Cup

and CHURCH STRETTON bowed out in round one as they went down 1-0 at home to FC Hodnet, for whom George Minshall struck.

Elsewhere in the tournament, Wellington Amateurs Reserves were 8-1 winners at Impact.

Ludlow Town cruised past Ketley Bank 4-0, Shifnal United 97 edged past Telford Juniors 1-0 while Broseley Juniors and Dawley Villa were

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A night to remember for Town boss at the Greenhous

GRAHAM TURNER had one of those nights all managers must dream about as Cheltenham became the latest team to suffer at fortress Greenhous Meadow.

In the wake of last weekend's disappointing defeat at Plymouth, Turner decided the time was right to implement a few changes – and they worked probably better than he could ever have hoped.

Recalled duo Nicky Wroe, who fired Town ahead inside a minute, and Terry Gornell grabbed the decisive goals to sink fellow high fliers Cheltenham while Shane Cansdell-Sherriff, the third of the men to be drafted in, shone at the back as Town registered a clean sheet.

A knock on effect of the changes saw Jermaine Grandison and the irrepress-

Turner's praise as Nick does the trick

THE impressive contribution of midfielder Nicky Wroe was singled out for praise by boss Graham Turner after his early goal set up Town's midweek win over Cheltenham.

Wroe was quick to make his mark on being recalled to the side, with Turner delighted he made the most of his chance to impress.

"Nicky came in with a lot of energy and that's what you hope for," said Turner.

"Sometimes you need to freshen the side up when players have had a rest and you bring them in at this stage of the season where there's a lot of games.

"Nicky had an outstanding game and I thought he was unlucky not to get a hat-trick."

Turner was also pleased how goalkeeper Chris Neal responded against the Robins after the blow of being at fault for the goal which sunk Town at Plymouth last weekend.

Strength

Turner added: "He dropped a right clanger at Swindon recently which allowed them back into the game and his response in subsequent games was very good.

"I had no doubts he would have the mental strength to get over Saturday's mistake and deal with things – and he's done that."

Turner also had plenty of positive things to say about the influential Matt Richards who slotted in effortlessly at left back in place of Joe Jacobson.

Richards has emerged as a key man in midfield for Town this season but had no problems dropping into the back four in a position where he has played lots of games in the Championship for Ipswich and Brighton as well as representing England at under-21 level.



Town's James Collins and Romain Larrieu in a battle for possession at Home Park

Shrewsbury Town 2 Cheltenham 0 by Stuart Dunn at the Greenhous Meadow

ible Matt Richards revert to the full-back roles and they both had fine games.

Cheltenham enjoyed plenty of possession without really threatening as Town, with goalkeeper Chris Neal in confident mood, showed a greater cutting edge going forward.

They picked up three more vital points to return to the automatic promotion places and, in the process, they successfully stretched their unbeaten home record to a staggering 27 games, a new outright club record.

Turner said: "It was a great result, particularly after the result and perform-

ance at Plymouth on Saturday, for us to bounce back with a result and performance like that.

"We got off to a great start. We spoke before how just recently our starts haven't been that clever but we were right out of the blocks and got a goal in that period.

"I thought, generally, although Cheltenham had a bit of the ball at different times, we protected the goalkeeper.

"I don't think he's had too many saves to make. We always looked dangerous on the break so, all in all, it was a good night's work."

Wroe, the all action Yorkshireman, might have had a hat-trick in the first half after choosing to adopt a shoot-on-sight policy.

As it was, though, Wroe had to settle for just one goal after firing Town in front after just 44 seconds.

James Collins, played in by Richards down the left, pulled the ball back and Wroe drove first time past wrong-footed goalkeeper Jack Butland.

The England under-21 international, on loan from Birmingham, had no chance with that goal, but should have done better when Town doubled their lead 12

minutes into the second-half.

Jon Taylor, who produced his best display of the season, delivered a low cross from the right which Butland fumbled and Gornell turned in the rebound for his seventh goal of the season.

Now the test for Town is to start hitting the same heights on their travels, beginning at Morecambe on Saturday.

TOWN: Neal; Grandison, Sharps, Cansdell-Sherriff, Richards; Taylor, Wroe, D. McAllister, Wright; Gornell (Morgans 86), Collins. Unused subs: Jacobson, Sawyers, Smith.

Referee: Andy Woolmer (Northamptonshire). Attendance: 5,704 (404 from Cheltenham).

CHRONICLE STAR MEN: 1 Wroe, 2 Richards, 3 Grandison.



Town's David McAllister on the ball with Steve Elliott closing in for a tackle

Ace Callum called up by England

PROMISING Shrewsbury Town goalkeeper Callum Burton has been named in the England under-16 squad for a top tournament in France next month, *writes* STUART DUNN.

The 15-year-old Shropshire lad from Newport is one of two goalkeepers along with Leeds United's Daniel Atkinson selected by head coach Kenny Swain for the Montaigu Tournament in western France between April 3 and 9.

Burton is the only player attached to a club from outside England's top two divisions to be called up.

It is more exciting recognition for Burton, a regular for Town's youth team, following an impressive international debut last month when he helped the young Lions beat Spain 1-0 in Madrid.

Burton will join the full-time staff at the Greenhous Meadow as a scholar when he completes his exams this summer.

He already trains with Town's goalkeeping coach Gavin Ward and the first team squad once a week and is held in high regard by the club.

England under-16s will face four games in the space of six days in France to there should be plenty of opportunity for Burton to further impress.

England have been drawn in Group C with Morocco and Japan, starting on Tuesday, 3 April against Japan before taking on Morocco two days later.

"The Montaigu Tournament is an important part of our programme so we're looking forward to it," said head coach Swain, the former Aston Villa defender.

ENGLAND U16 SQUAD: Daniel Atkinson (Leeds), Callum Burton (Shrewsbury Town), Josh Aina (Chelsea), Arian Birch (Everton), Ashley Smith-Brown (Manchester City), Max Clark (Hull), Callum Jones (West Brom), Reece Brown (Birmingham), Kean Bryan (Manchester City), Charlie Collett (Chelsea), Dan Crowley (Aston Villa), Connor Hume (Chelsea), Bryn Morris (Middlesbrough), Mason Bennett (Derby), Jordan Brown (Arsenal), George Green (Everton), Alex Iwobi (Arsenal), Jerome Sinclair (Liverpool).

Town kids get chance to improve home form

TWO home games inside 48 hours offer Shrewsbury Town's youngsters the ideal chance to kickstart their Youth Alliance campaign.

Coach Peter Wilding, assistant to the club's head of youth Wayne Evans, admitted he was disappointed with last weekend's 3-0 defeat at home to Rochdale.

But Town have the chance to bounce back with two more quickfire clashes at the Shrewsbury Sports Village.

They host Walsall today (2pm) before welcoming Wrexham to the Sundorne venue on Saturday (11am).

Town were a goal down at the break to Rochdale last time out and conceded twice more in the second half as the team from Spotland completed a comfortable win.

Wilding, Town's technical skills coach, said: "At times we can accept defeat but when only three or four players come out of the game with any credit, it's not acceptable.

"Desire and commitment largely come from within."

Wilding added basic defensive errors contributed to Town's defeat.

He said: "Too many times we react or anticipate too late, or over commit ourselves and find we are out of the game."



Shrewsbury Town defender Shane Cansdell-Sherriff hopes to win a new contract as well as a recall

TOWN TALK by Stuart Dunn

Cansdell-Sherriff, who arrived from Tranmere Rovers in July 2008, is just happy to be playing again, although he admits the manner in which he lost his place in the side was frustrating.

He said: "It was a little frustrating because I couldn't help what happened. But it's one of those things that happen in football and you've just got to take it in the best way possible and try and get yourself back as soon as possible.

"I've had a few niggles along the way and lost a bit of match fitness as we didn't have any reserve matches scheduled.

"But I've played in two of them now, against Crewe and Birmingham, and I felt miles better in the second one – and then I got the chance to play against Cheltenham on Tuesday.

"I'm feeling good and back to where I was before I got injured."

Given his long service, Cansdell-Sherriff if well placed to comment on Town's promotion credentials and has no doubts in saying this is the strongest Shrewsbury squad he's been involved in.

That's quite a compliment given the first squad he was part of included current higher division performers

like Grant Holt, Marc Tierney and Ben Davies.

"I was talking to some of the players about this the other day and I think we've got strength in all positions," he said. "Anyone can come in and keep the standard high.

"Mike Jackson turned round recently when we were on the bench and said what a good, solid bench we've got."

Cansdell-Sherriff added he was proud to have been at the club longer than any other player – "I feel part of the furniture!" – and he's now chasing a new contract in the summer.

"I would like to stay here," he added. "At this level you do see players move around quite a lot, but I said when I signed the extension that I like Shrewsbury. I like the place and it's just nice to be part of something.

"That's why we want to push for that promotion.

"I think the manager's made it clear that he will make the decision at the end of the season.

"I think they have a fair idea on what they want to do, but at the same time they've got to find out what league we're going to be in and the budget from upstairs.

"The most important thing for the club right now is promotion and that's what everyone wants to focus on."

No Devon cream yet again for Turner's men

Plymouth 1 Shrewsbury Town 0 by Stuart Dunn at Home Park

ted Shrewsbury manager Graham Turner.

"We were a little bit poor for different periods of the game and we allowed Plymouth to dictate to us too much."

The Pilgrims sealed victory thanks to a 20th minute goal which Town goalkeeper Chris Neal will want to forget as quickly as possible.

There was no obvious danger when Argyle legend Paul Wotton, making his 450th appearance for the club, whipped in a free kick from wide out on the left.

But Neal, under no pressure, inexplicably allowed the ball to escape from his grasp as he fumbled it into his own net.

Neal would have been desperate for his team-mates to get him off the hook by coming up with the goods at the other end

but, apart from a late flurry when the Argyle goal lived a charmed life, Town were below their best by some distance.

Their passing game stuttered throughout and Argyle might have put the bed to bed long before Town's late onslaught.

Wotton fizzed a deflected shot just over the bar, Neal had to be alert to block from sub Juhvel Tsoumou and Alex MacDonald cracked an effort from the edge of the area against the post.

With time running out, Town finally started to impose themselves on their jittery hosts who had only previously won three times in League Two at Home Park all season.

Keeper Jake Cole, having had a much quieter afternoon than he would have anticipated, made fine saves to frustrate

Mark Wright and sub Terry Gornell.

And in between Marvin Morgan thumped a header from a Matt Richards free kick against the bar, but it was much too little much too late.

"Late on in the game I thought we might have got an equaliser," said Turner. "We put them under tremendous pressure and it didn't happen for us."

"But overall there's disappointment with the manner in which we played for most of the game.

"We lacked that edge, we lacked that sharpness and we've got to get that back."

TOWN: Neal; McLaughlin, Sharps, Grandison, Jacobson (Wroe 61); Taylor (Gornell 75), D. McAllister, Richards, Wright, Morgan, Collins. Unused subs: Cansdell-Sherriff, Sawyers, Smith.

Referee: Jack Waugh (Yorkshire). Attendance: 5,931

CHRONICLE STAR MEN: 1 Richards, 2 Wright, 3 Grandison.

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One more step in national glory bid

THE dream of national glory lives on for Shrewsbury Rugby Club's talented under-17 side after they marched through to the quarter-finals of the National Bowl.

In what was likely to have been their last home game together, the Sundorne Castle teenagers dug deep to beat Loughborough 13-8 last Sunday.

They will now face either Chesterfield Panthers or Ampthill in the last eight nationally, the Midlands final, at Coventry on April 1. Proud coach Steve Rintoul said: "It was yet another fantastic performance by the whole squad in which we took our chances when they appeared and were very well organised in defence."

"The game was won by a combination of a very strong team spirit that the lads have, and the ability to keep their concentration for the full duration of the game."

"Once again we took the field with only two substitutes available while Loughborough had their full complement of seven on the bench, which they used."

"By any standards it was a tremendous effort and a very fine win."

Loughborough took an early lead via a penalty but inside centre Tom Cookson quickly replied in kind for Shrewsbury.

Loughborough then enjoyed most of the possession, but the aggressive Shrewsbury defence pushed them back and, as the home side's confidence grew, they moved ahead when England under-17 international Colin Dickson, playing at outside centre, ghosted through two tackles to to score the game's first try.

Dickson turned provider as, after he was halted, the ball was recycled and a fine passing movement saw backs and forwards linking together to put Jim McKnight, the blind side flanker, over in the corner to make it 13-3 at the break.

In the second half Loughborough threw everything at the Shrewsbury defence and the hosts had all the answers.

The Leicestershire side finally found a way through for a solo try but Shrewsbury played with real determination to ensure that's where the scoring ended.

Meanwhile, Shrewsbury's under-15s produced a brave performance as they went down 34-7 at Ledbury last weekend in the semi-finals of the North Midlands Plate.

See page 94 for more junior rugby reports.

Leach tipped for Pears debut after flying start

JOE LEACH has the talent to make the breakthrough to First Class cricket this season, according to his Shrewsbury captain Ed Foster, writes **STUART DUNN**. Leach, who remains under contract to Worcestershire, has yet to make his first team debut for the New Road club.

But Foster believes that can all change in the next few months, particularly if the 21-year-old all-rounder replicates the sparkling form he showed in his opening match of the new season.

Leach, one of the leading lights with bat and ball for Shrewsbury in recent years, is currently on a

pre-season tour to India with the Leeds-Bradford MCC Universities team.

And he started as he will hope to go on by cracking an explosive century in a one-day match against Poona CC in Pune.

Leach hammered 105 from just 66 balls to quickly show he means business this year.

"It's a great way for Joe to start the season," said Foster. "You always want to score runs early on and to begin with a such a good century is fantastic for him."

Leach should get the chance to show what he can do against professionals in this country with his

university side looking forward to three matches against first class counties, the first of them against Surrey at The Oval on March 31.

Foster is a big admirer of Leach and, while he would like him to play as often as possible for Shrewsbury, he hopes the all-rounder can push for a first team spot at Worcestershire.

He has so far been restricted to life in the second team for the Pears but Foster sees no reason why that should not change soon.

"I would like to think he can break into the Worcestershire side," said the Shrewsbury skipper. "There may be a chance for

him early in the season owing to a few injuries and I know Joe's been working really hard on his fitness over the winter."

"He came on so much for us last season, particularly with the ball, and he's a very talented cricketer."

Should Leach earn a call up from Worcestershire, it could of course limit his availability to Shrewsbury, not that it's a concern to Foster.

He added: "Joe's got a massive desire to play professional cricket and we try and support him as much as possible in trying to achieve that."

"We're fortunate to have at

Shrewsbury a decent squad and that allows us to cover any absences."

"Joe, his brother Steve and young Ed Barnard are all striving to play professional cricket."

Foster said Leach's flying start to the season in India only added to the feelfood factor engulfing the club following the news, revealed exclusively in last week's Chronicle, that Nottinghamshire and England batsman Jimmy Taylor will be Shrewsbury's contracted player this season.

"Everyone's very keen, we have got a good young side, and we're all looking forward to it," said Foster.

Shelton do it for the kids

SHELTON Cricket Club are planning to launch a new under-11 squad in time for the new season.

The Shrewsbury-based outfit, members of the newly-formed Shropshire County Cricket League, will be offering coaching from qualified coaches.

Shelton stalwart Jan Griffiths said: "All of our coaching staff have been CRB checked and we have recently been awarded Clubmark by the ECB."

"We are looking for boys and girls who are under 11 on 31 August 2012, those in years five and six who want to learn and play cricket."

Anyone interested should attend a signing at the club's ground on Monday, April 2 from 6-7pm. There is 10 weeks of coaching on offer plus a full league fixture list. The cost will be £50.

For more details, call Jan Griffiths on 01743 355 208. She added if you are unable to come along on April 2 then get in touch for a membership form, as the club will have restricted numbers.

WROE FIRED UP TO HELP TOWN FIGHT



Shrewsbury Town midfielder Nicky Wroe, who scored during the impressive 2-0 win over Cheltenham, is closed down by Luke Summerfield. Picture: Matthew Ashton

Oscar nominated for starring role

OSCAR Shanagher makes an eagerly awaited return for relegated Shrewsbury when they chase only a second win of the season in rugby's Midlands Two West (North) at Aston Old Edwardsians on Saturday.

Shanagher was a consistent try scorer for the Sundorne Castle men last season and

recently returned to the area after a spell living in London.

"Oscar's a talented lad and it's great to have him back," said Shrewsbury captain Simon Evitts.

SHREWSBURY 1st XV: A Proudlove, N Challinor, R Sankey, C Embrey, I Mill, S Evitts, D Harrison, J Plant, M Pryce, M Morris, O Shanagher, T Dickson, A Haycock, A Jebb, H Maybury.

BACK in favour Nicky Wroe has vowed to do all he can to stay in promotion chasing Shrewsbury Town's team as he targets an upturn in the club's away fortunes.

After eight games on the bench, Wroe enjoyed an impressive return to the side for Tuesday night's crunch 2-0 home win over fellow high fliers Cheltenham.

The 26-year-old fired Town in front inside the opening minute with his sixth goal of the season and went on to give a commanding display in midfield.

Now Wroe is in no mood to relinquish his place in the team as the exciting League Two promotion race heats up.

Town are currently third with nine games to go with Saturday's trip to mid-table Morecambe followed by a local derby clash at home to Port Vale on Tuesday (7.45pm).

"I've had a frustrating start to this year," said Wroe, a regular in the early months of the season. "I got injured at Bradford on New Year's Eve and then managed to get a start at Torquay last month but things didn't quite go to plan."

"I've had to wait patiently and I've been knocking on the door for a while."

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"Thankfully the gaffer chose to pick me on Tuesday and I managed to repay his faith in me by getting a goal and getting a good win."

"It's been frustrating but hopefully I can keep my place now for the last nine, the run in, and hopefully we can stay where we are now and make our way a bit further up the table."

"There's nothing worse than not playing. It's really frustrating as that's what you train for all week, to play on a Saturday and Sunday."

"The way to stay in the team is to score goals and do well, and hopefully I think I did that against Cheltenham."

Wroe felt the key to the

By Stuart Dunn

midweek win over the Robins was Town's flying start as they attacked from the first whistle with his goal the ideal early boost.

He said: "We emphasised that the last few games we've not started too well so we wanted to get off to a good start and we did that."

"We knew it was a big game and that Cheltenham are a good side, probably one of the best we've played, especially away from home."

"We needed to get a good start and impose ourselves on the game and luckily you can't get any better than what we did really."

"I made a good break, just ran on to it, and luckily the ball's found its way to me and I managed to stick it away."

While Town continue to go great guns at home - it's now 27 matches unbeaten at the Greenhouse Meadow - they continue to stutter on their travels.

They have suffered nine away league defeats, more than any of the other promotion chasers, and that's a record Wroe is keen to improve ahead of this week-

end's trip to the Lancashire coast.

"We've talked about it and we really need to address the away form," insisted Wroe. "There's no reason why we can't play just as well away from home."

"I don't think with any team in this league we've got much to fear, especially if we're on our game. We just need to concentrate on ourselves and play like we did against Cheltenham."

Wroe scored a penalty when Town beat Morecambe 2-0 at home in November - and he would gladly settle for a repeat on the club's second visit to the Globe Arena where they lost 1-0 last season.

Manager Graham Turner was also quick to stress the importance of Town replicating their excellent home form on the road.

He added: "The concern for us is while our home form has been outstanding and home results have been excellent, it's away from home that we have to start putting it right."

See page 95 for lots more Town news.

Sunday cup semis draw

INSTONES United, the Shrewsbury Sunday League champions, have been paired against Wem Sunday in the semi-finals of the Shropshire Sunday Premier Cup.

The sides will play at a neutral venue on Sunday, April 1 for the right to progress to the final at Shrewsbury Town's Greenhouse Meadow.

The other semi is between Plough Inn Wellington and Oak Inn Randley.

Alport lose by one goal

WHITCHURCH ALPORT saw their dream of winning the Shropshire County Cup end with a goal in the first-half from Karl Griffiths.

Griffiths' 29th minute strike allowed Bridgnorth to scrape past Cheshire League Alport 1-0 in the first semi-final at the Shrewsbury Sports Village on Tuesday.

Ellesmere Rangers faced Morda in the second semi.



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